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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Housing Schemes

THE two experimental housing projects which reached fruition this week are noteworthy manifestations of the growing awareness among responsible citizens of the necessity for finding ways and means of providing the Colony's labouring classes and the lower income groups of workers with accommodation they can afford. Not without some justification the less privileged have felt their interests in the matter of housing accommodation have in the past been neglected. The schemes of the Hongkong Settlers Housing Corporation and the Hongkong Housing Society are partial answers to their demands, and as experiments in financing and economic renting they will be watched with considerable interest, particularly as the flats built by the Hongkong Housing Society on the Castle Peak Road, and opened yesterday by the Officer Administering the Government, are officially regarded as part of a pilot scheme from which a comprehensive building programme is likely to emerge.

IN opening the Shamshuipo flats, the Hon R. B. Black made passing reference to plans for a large-scale housing project which, he indicated, were now reaching the decisive stage. Government, he declared, was "fully seized of its obligations to do everything possible to assist in the provision of housing in the Colony," an acknowledgment which will gladden the hearts of thousands of unfortunates who are today deprived of reasonable and healthy accommodation. The declaration should also assuage the ruffled feelings of some who consider that in going ahead with undertakings such as the construction of a sports stadium and the provision of recreation grounds (initially charged against public funds) Government has lost sight of housing needs. Unfortunately Hongkong is confronted with many pressing requirements, and a good case can be made out for each of them to receive priority attention. That housing for the lower income groups has not been overlooked, but is in fact being energetically advanced by private bodies and Government is a matter for deep satisfaction.

US ARMS AID FOR JAPAN

Washington To Make Tokyo An Offer

Washington, Sept. 12. Authoritative sources disclosed today that American military officials were planning a programme of arms aid for Japan during the fiscal year beginning next July if the Tokyo Government was in a position to agree.

The Pentagon planners are drawing up a programme calling for millions of dollars worth of war materials to be given to Japan, if that country decides to cast off its defenceless role and rearm itself.

The State Department and the White House are aware of the planning by the American military. While diplomatic policy makers have not yet given the plan their approval, they have made no effort to dissuade the Pentagon.

It was emphasised in official circles here that the American arms for Japan can be approved by Congress and shipped to the Far East only if the Japanese decide to undertake a programme of building up their armed forces.

Police Save Kidnapped German

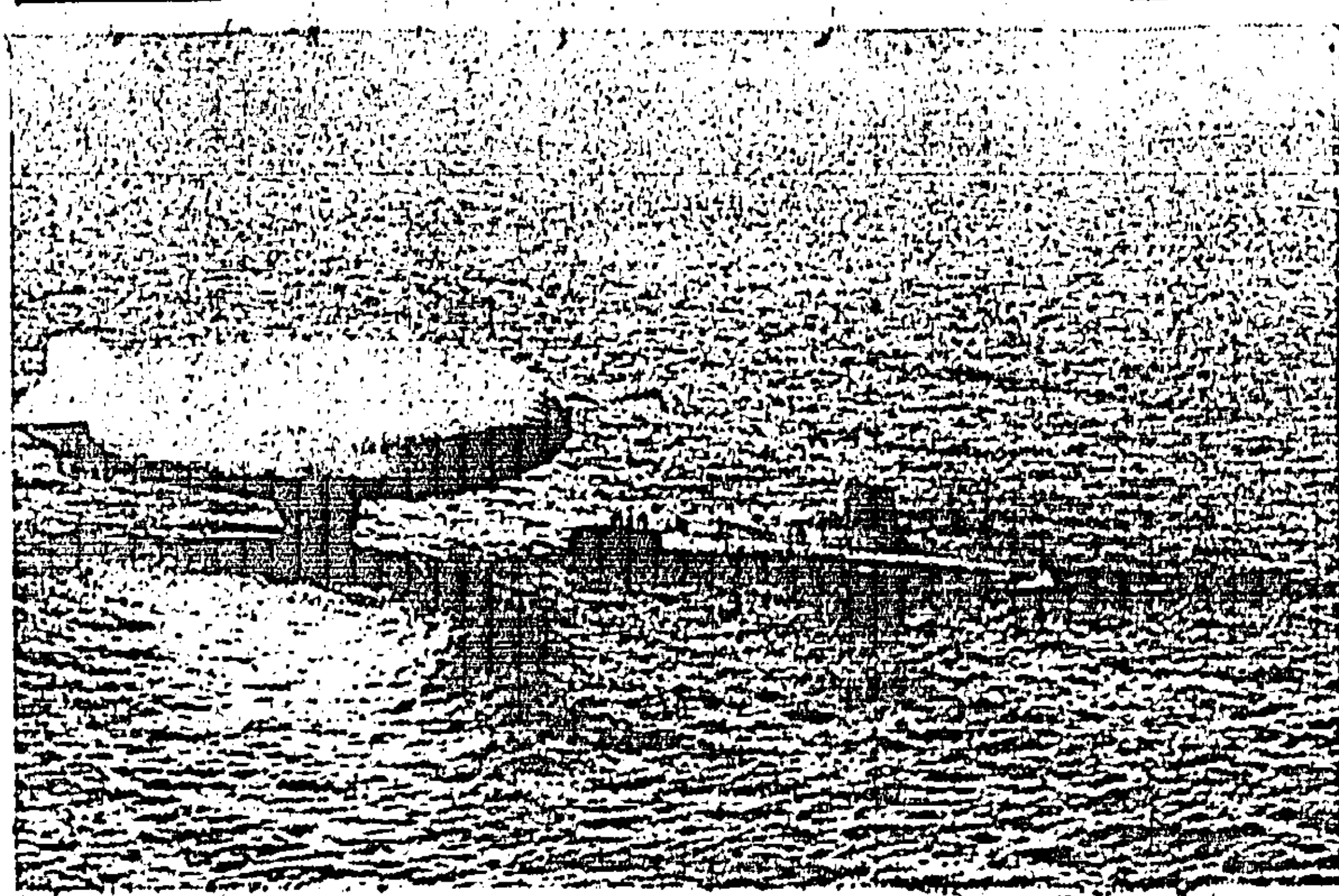
Berlin, Sept. 11. The German Police rescued a West Berliner today from two armed Russian soldiers who had attempted to kidnap him into East Berlin.

The two Soviet soldiers, armed with tommy-guns, entered the British sector border district of Eiskeller, grabbed the West Berliner and tried to drag him across the boundary into East Germany. Two West Berlin Police radio cars rushed to the border and the Soviets released the West Berliner and retreated across the border. Each car had three armed Western Police.

Eiskeller is almost a western enclave in East Germany. It is almost surrounded by the Soviet Zone and the only road connecting it with the main body of the British sector is adjoined on both sides by East German territory.—United Press.

INTERFERENCE ORDER
Berlin, Sept. 11. The Soviet Control Commissioner, Vasily Chulkov, informed the Western authorities today that he had ordered Soviet guards to stop interfering with British and United States military police cars taking relief goods to their Autobahn checkpoints.—Reuter.

Submarine Rescues Runaway Blimp



Korea Truce: Western Powers Carefully Analysing New Moves

United Nations, Sept. 11. The Western governments will delay until the last moment their decision as to the manner in which they will ask the United Nations General Assembly to act on the stalemate Korean peace talks, informed diplomats said today.

The United States and Britain, principal Allies in the festering Korean war, have already agreed that the Panmunjom has reached a point where UN intervention on the political level is necessary to bring about a truce.

Western statesmen are searching for a formula that would allow the 60-nation Assembly, scheduled to convene here on October 14, to contribute effectively towards breaking the impasse.

Their basic decision to air the Korean situation here is a sharp shift in the US and British policy—last year the West opposed the Soviet move to transfer the armistice talks from the truce village to the UN—and the Allied policy-makers want to ensure that the forthcoming Assembly debate will be a serious effort to find a solution for the Korean conflict, not just another propaganda battle with Russia.

Diplomats said the West plans to delay decisions on the strategy of handling the Korean issue in the Assembly for these reasons:

SHOWDOWN POSSIBLE
1. A showdown may occur in Panmunjom in the six weeks between now and the time the Assembly meets that can change the entire outlook.

Peking radio said that talks were "hanging by the thread" and some observers believed that the Chinese Communists may be preparing for a walkout.

2. A new move, possibly by Britain, may be made within the next few weeks to settle the controversy over prisoners of war, the last remaining obstacle in the path of agreement.

London reports said Britain may propose that a neutral power, such as India, be entrusted with the responsibility for POW camps. Such a proposal, diplomats said, may incorporate some of the ideas advanced last week by Mexico's President, Miguel Aleman Valdes. His suggestion is that Red prisoners who do not wish to return to their homelands be given temporary asylum by the UN countries.

Diplomats speculated that this may meet the Communist fear that the prisoners would be turned over to South Korea and Nationalist China as "cannon fodder."

India, which in the past has unsuccessfully tried to mediate in the Korean war, was also reported to be studying the situation with interest.

Observers speculated that New Delhi may attempt a new bid to bring together the two sides, taking advantage of its close diplomatic contact with Peking. The Allied strategy in the Assembly would obviously be affected by such developments.

Diplomats here are keen on stressing that it is not the intention of the Allies to replace the

Mysterious Explosion

Frankfurt, Sept. 11. A mysterious explosion thundered through Frankfurt's main railway station last midnight injuring four persons.

All the injured were railway employees. Due to the late hour the station was not crowded as usual.

Police began an investigation to determine what caused the explosion, which sent pieces of luggage, shreds of clothing and other fragments high into the air.

Two of the injured were reported in serious condition. All four were struck by fragments of baggage. The accident occurred as baggage was unloaded from the Basel-Hamburg train.—Associated Press.

Optimism In Teheran

Teheran, Sept. 11. Hopes of an ultimate solution to the Anglo-Iranian oil dispute continued to rise here with the announcement that the British Charge d'Affaires, Mr George Middleton, met the Persian Premier, Dr Mohammed Mossadegh, again this afternoon.

The main difficulties in the offer of President Truman and Mr Winston Churchill from the Persian point of view, it was explained by Dr Mossadegh to the press early this week, are:

1. No reference to the international tribunal is possible unless mutual agreement has been reached to direct negotiations between the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company and the Persian Government on their respective claims and counter claims, upon which adjudication is sought.
2. Arrangements for the reflow of oil from Abadan should specifically preclude British interference and participation.

DIPLOMATS TALK

Before meeting Dr Mossadegh today, Mr Middleton conferred with Mr Loy Henderson, the American Ambassador. This was in line with the established practice of handling the oil question.

Dr Mossadegh wrote today to the Persian Upper House postponing a session scheduled for next Saturday. The Majlis (Lower House) has already been postponed for a week. Informed sources thought that these postponements were a gesture on the Premier's part to give the British time to think over demands for amendment.

According to one source, Dr Mossadegh told Mr Middleton last Sunday that if no amendment was forthcoming to the Churchill-Truman offer he would accept both houses of the Persian Parliament to reject it in toto.—Reuter.

CABINET MEETING

London, Sept. 11. The British Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, presided over a meeting of the British Cabinet today and gave it his latest report on the Persian situation before leaving for Strasbourg, Belgrade and Vienna.

In a usually well-informed quarters here it was believed that Mr Eden told his colleagues that he had recommended against modifying the joint Anglo-American proposals for solution of the oil dispute with Persia in the sense suggested over the weekend by the Persian Prime Minister.—Reuter.

Substantial Increases In Food Prices

London, Sept. 11. The Government announced today that prices of six of Britain's rationed foods would be raised by amounts varying from a penny to sixpence per lb. on October 5.

The commodities affected are margarine, cooking fat and lard, butter, cheese, sugar and bacon. The increases, with others already in operation, will enable the government, as part of its drive for national solvency, to slash £160 million a year from the official subsidies on basic foods. These stood at £410 million a year, when it took effect last October.

Price changes are as follows:

Margarine—up 2d. to 1/4d. a lb.
Cooking fat and lard—up 2d., making the price 1/6d.
Cheese—up 2d., making the price 2/2d.
Butter—up 2d. from 2/6d. to 3/-.
Sugar for domestic use up by a penny—the price to be 7d.
Bacon—up 5d., making the price 3/10d.

The increases, taken with those previously announced, mean that since the Conservative Government's April Budget, the price of food in Britain will have increased by just under 1/6d a head. This was the figure aimed at by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Richard Butler, when he announced his economy attack on the food subsidies.

The increases coincide with the operation of increased social benefits, which were also announced in the April Budget. These include war pensions, income tax reliefs, family and other allowances, sickness, unemployment, death and widows' benefits.—Reuter.

JOINS ROYALTY IN CUSTODY

Cairo, Sept. 11. Naguib Salem, former director of ex-King Farouk's royal estates, has joined Egyptian princes, political leaders and others under army custody at the Kubbeh Military College near Cairo.

He has been arrested together with a Cairo lawyer named Zaher Hassan Ahmed and Major Abdel Meguid el Ashry.

Fuad Serag el Din, millionaire Secretary-General of the Wafd Party and other political leaders and newspaper editors arrested in last week-end's mass roundup are quartered three in a room at the military college.

They are permitted to receive food and clothing from their families and they can have visitors at certain hours of the day. Arabic and European newspapers are also available to them.

Investigations are being made into every individual case and those accused of specific charges will be brought before a special court. Hearings are expected to be open to the public, a spokesman said tonight.

Major Ashry was formerly of the political police and, with today's arrests, the number of people rounded up now total 56. Special army and police squads are continuing to raid homes and offices of scores of prominent Egyptians.—Reuter.

CONTACT MADE

Cairo, Sept. 11. After calling on General Mohammed Naguib today, the British Ambassador, Sir Ralph Stevenson, told reporters: "We established first contacts."

Asked whether he expected to see the Egyptian Prime Minister again, Sir Ralph replied: "This depends on circumstances."

The American Ambassador, Mr Jefferson Caffery, called on the Egyptian Premier and discussed "questions of mutual interest" concerning relations between Britain and the United States.

It was understood here that technical and financial assistance to Egypt under the American Point Four programme were also discussed.—Reuter.

Ship Knocks Down A Lighthouse

Amherstburg, Ontario, Sept. 11.

In heavy fog today one steamer knocked down a lighthouse while another ran aground and nearly landed on the front lawn of a house.

The freighter Kulus, struck the Livingstone Channel lighthouse in the lower Detroit river, toppling it into the river. Its lone occupant was picked up from the water by a small boat.

The second vessel, the 180-metre George E. Fink, ran aground on the Canadian shore of the river a short distance away in the deep fog blanketing the area, coming to rest almost on the front lawn of a house.—Reuter.

More Arrests In South Africa

Johannesburg, Sept. 11. Seven leaders of the African National Congress and one leader of the Indian National Congress were arrested in Port Elizabeth today.

Later they were accused of contravening the Suppression of Communism Act and alternatively of incitement to commit public violence.

They are Dr James Njongue, Raymond Mhlaba, Robert Mathibe, Alfred Nkomo, Adam Mathe, Florence Matomela, Sam Sijma and K. Moodley.

They were remanded until September 25. Bail of £100 was allowed.—Associated Press.

Blood Experiment

London, Sept. 11. Doctors are using radioactive blood to study circulation in the human body. Professor Gustav Nylin of Stockholm, told a Congress on Heart Diseases here today.

Professor Nylin said the red cells of the blood were made to absorb oxygen made radioactive from the British atomic pile at Harwell.—Reuter.

Govt Summons British Labour Chiefs

London, Sept. 11. The Government today summoned labour leaders to an urgent conference on Monday to prevent a "slowdown" that would cripple rearmament and the vital export programme.

The Churchill Government acted after the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions, representing 38 unions, voted on Wednesday to ban overtime and piece work in a move short of a strike to win wage increases.

Sir Robert Gould, chief industrial Commissioner of the Ministry of Labour, sent telegrams to the leaders of the 38 unions, the aircraft, automobile, machine tool, ship-building and allied industries, and asked them to attend Moscow's conference.

The Confederation, in a 48-minute meeting in York, agreed to postpone setting a new date for the slowdown until after the conference.

The union leaders are believed to be anxious to avoid the overtime ban if they can get more pay for 3,000,000 members in some other way. They had been reduced rates of 22 weekly for union members.—United Press.

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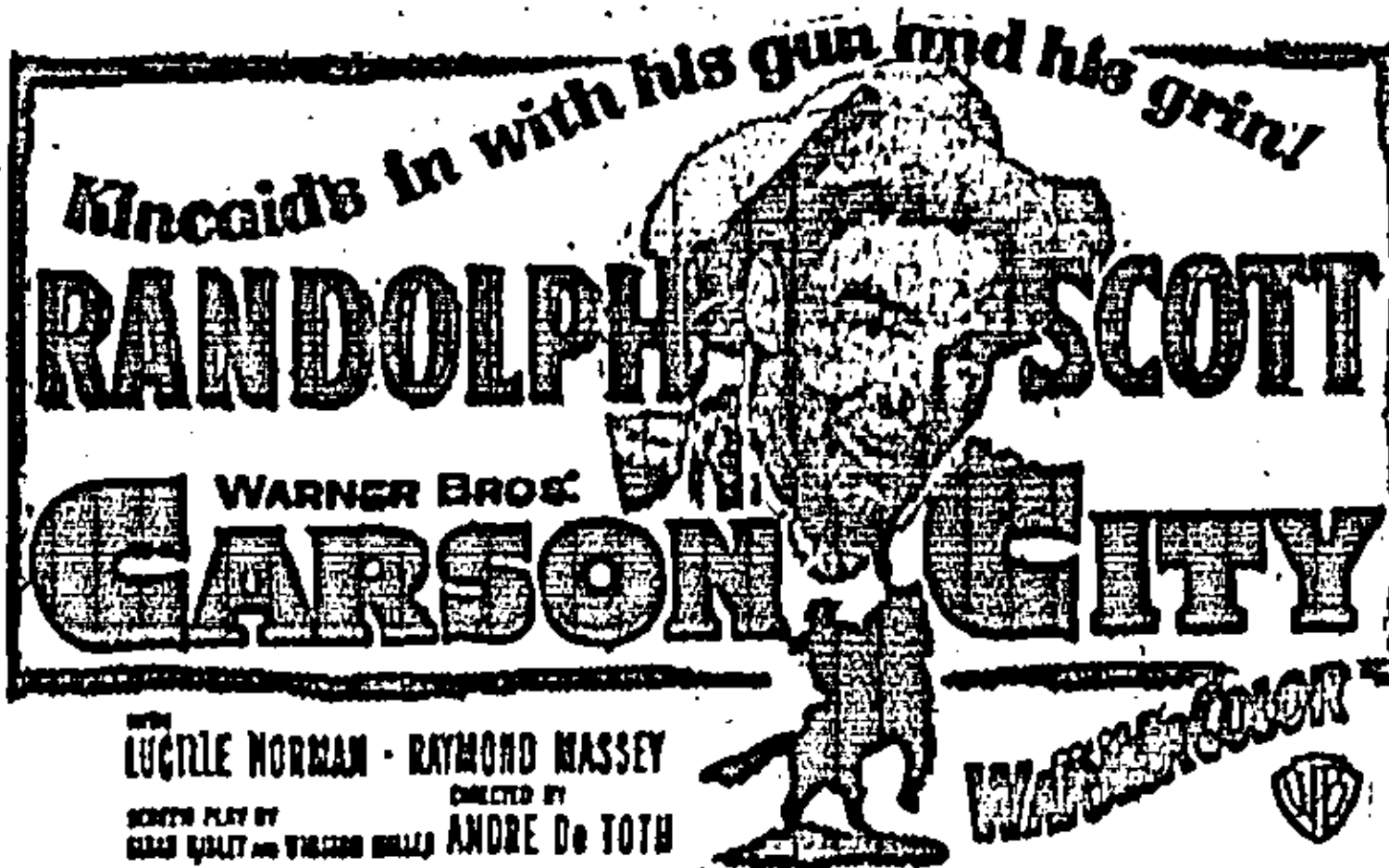
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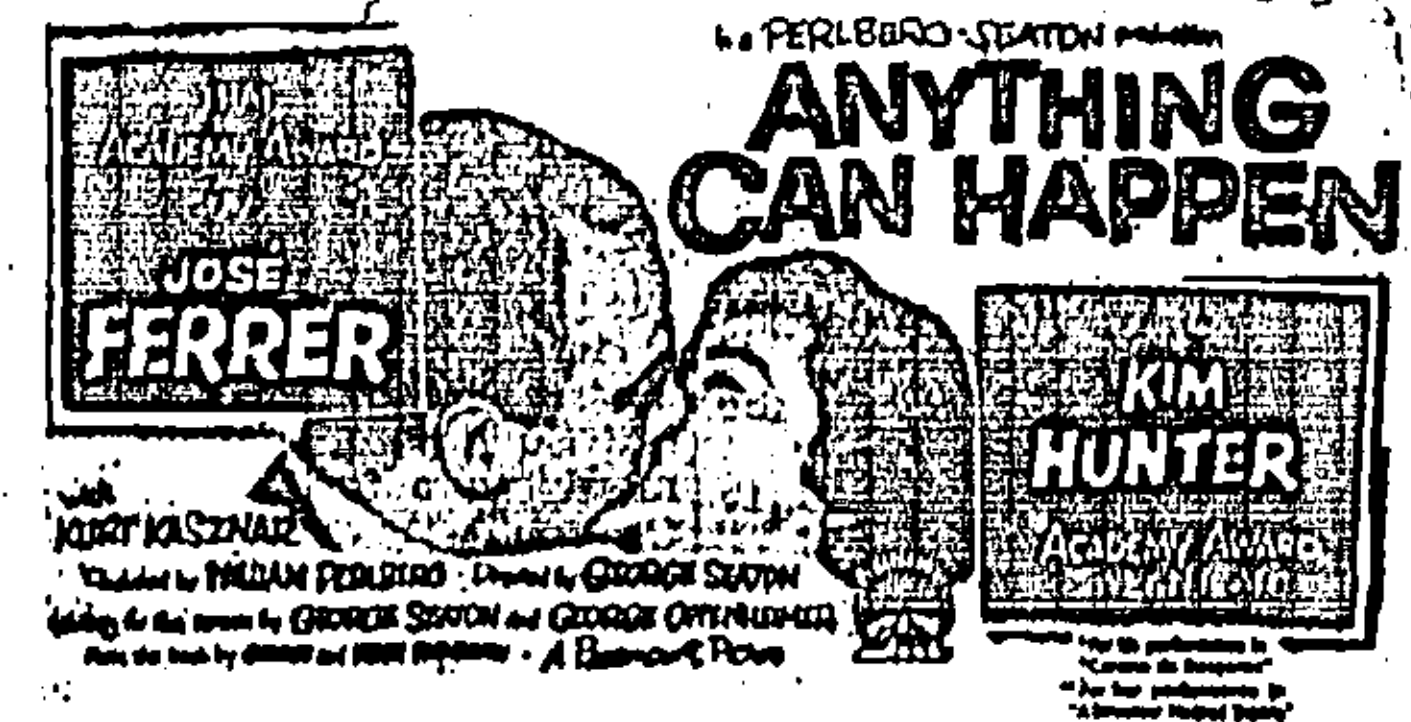
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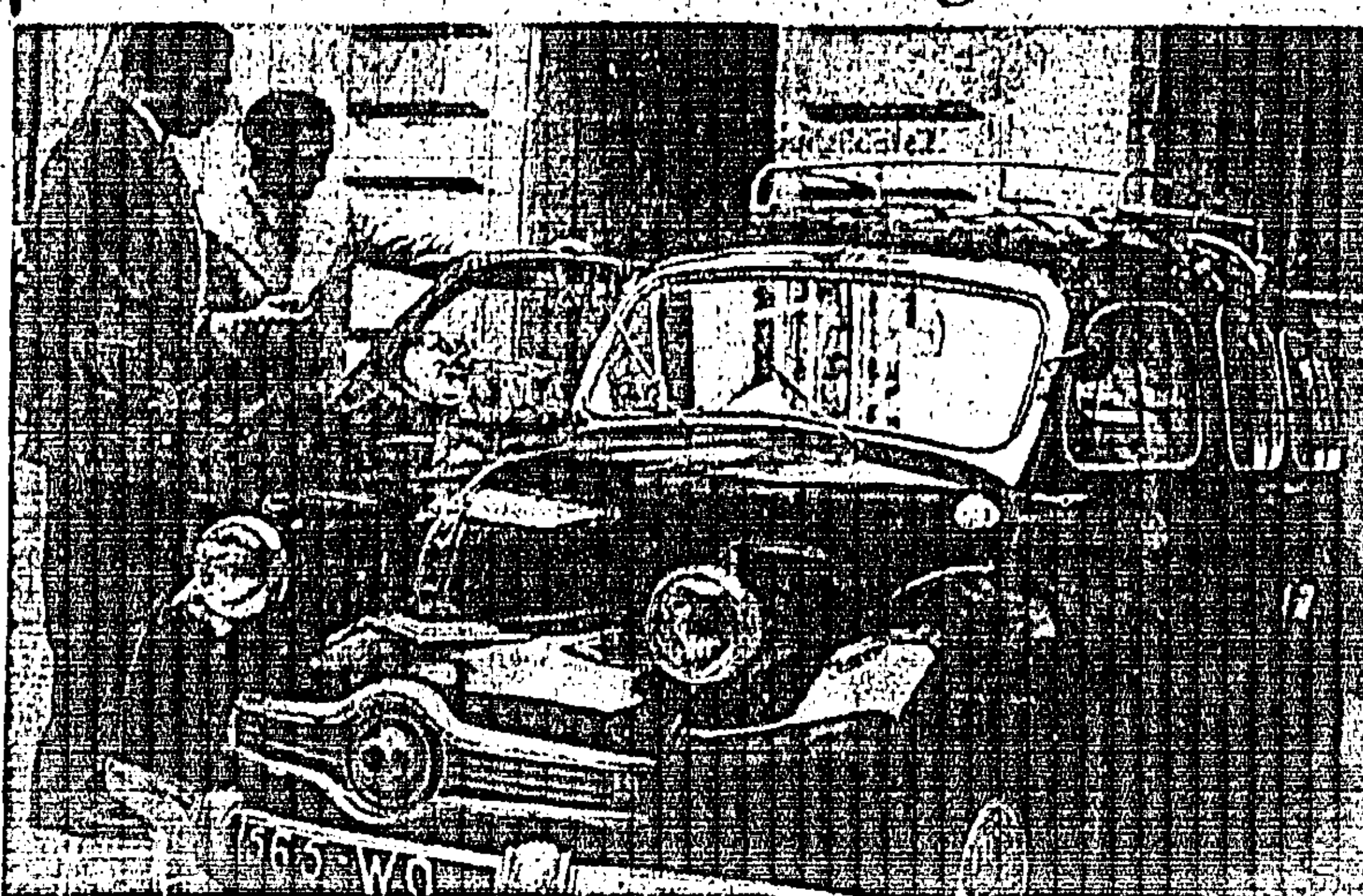
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This new "anti-gangsters" taxi has just been presented to the Paris police. The main novelty consists of a bullet-proof window pane separating the driver's cabin from the rear seats. The taxi also contains a big safe.—Express Photo.

Tax Official Indicted

Washington, Sept. 11. Daniel Bollich, formerly the Government's second senior tax collector, was indicted today on charges of evading tax in the years 1946 to 1950.

Since Bollich retired from the Internal Revenue Bureau, Congressional investigators have also inquired into his activities.—Reuter.

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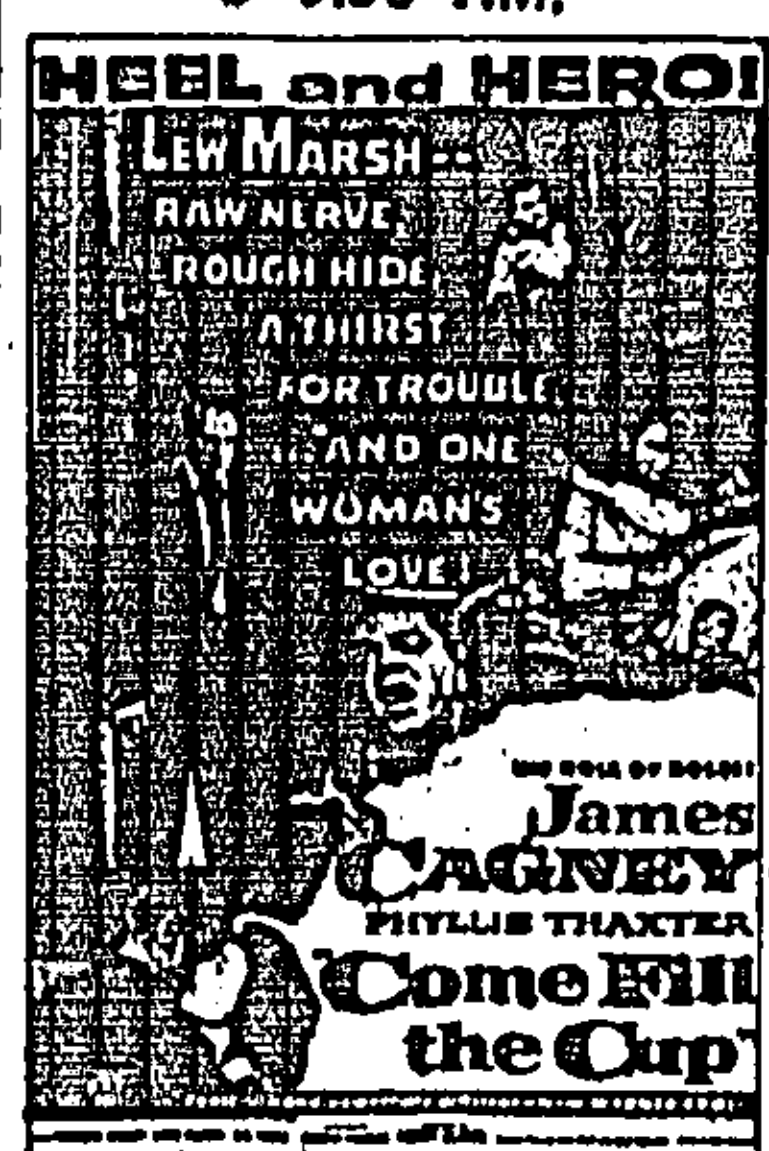
New York, Sept. 11. The Spanish Government has paid off, eight and a half years ahead of time, an issue of \$50,000,000 in dollar bonds to International Telephone and Telegraph Company, the firm reported today.

The final payment of \$4,844,000 on the four per cent bonds was made on June 30, said the semi-annual report of I. T. and T. to stockholders.

The bonds were issued as part of the Spanish Government's payment to I. T. and T. for its interest in the Spanish Telephone Company after it was nationalized.—Associated Press.

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Act Ratified By Selassie

Asmara, Sept. 11. Italy's former oldest Colony, East African Eritrea, celebrated its birth as a new State today as the Ethiopian Emperor, Haile Selassie, in Addis Ababa, ratified the act federating the two countries.

The federation, approved by the United Nations, coincided with New Year's Day in the Christian Copts' Ethiopian calendar, and a public holiday was observed throughout Eritrea.

Huge crowds attended ceremonies in Coptic churches and youths and children displaying Ethiopian colours, walked the capital's streets.

Ethiopian flags enlivened the Eritrean section of the city and flew over some Greek, Jewish and Arab shops in the European quarter. The Eritrean Assembly has not yet chosen the colours for an Eritrean flag, though it has been approved by the Constitution.

Britain's trusteeship power since the war will succeed her administrative powers at midnight on Monday, and on Tuesday British troops and officials will leave, leaving only about 35 advisers to the Eritrean Government, which is to be responsible for domestic affairs.

A special plane from Addis Ababa is expected tomorrow with the Emperor's representative to be stationed here. His name has not been officially released, but he is expected to be the Duke of Harar, Prince Makonnen.

The Eritrean Chief Executive, Ato Tedla Bairu, and five departmental secretaries will be sworn in on Saturday.

The British administration and the federal authorities have been feverishly active in the last few days completing details of the new federation. The handling over has gone smoothly except for some sharp attacks made by the Moslem League, which used to be one of the parties belonging to the Independence Front.

ITALIAN PROPERTY

This Front has now lost all popularity and none of its members has yet been appointed to any high posts in the new Government. The League has confined itself to attacks in its weekly paper, Sauta Arrabitta, dealing with the question of handing over movable and immovable properties of the former Italian administration.

Censorship In Lebanon

Beirut, Sept. 11.

Censorship was imposed on foreign correspondents in Lebanon last Tuesday following the resignation of the Prime Minister, Sami Solh.

Normally there are no restrictions on outgoing cables but on Tuesday the Lebanese Public Prosecutor, Gabriel Bassila, permitted only those to go out which did not refer to certain details of a meeting of Parliament.

Cables which referred to those details were held, but correspondents were not told of this action.—Associated Press.

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Move To Restore Aid Cuts

Washington, Sept. 11.

The Administration may urge the new President, be it Mr Dwight D. Eisenhower or Governor Adlai Stevenson, to demand quick action erasing the heavy Congressional cuts in aid for India and South Asia.

Government officials, who will have to take orders from whoever is elected, are trying to stay out of the Stevenson row with the Republicans over Indian aid. But they are considering a plan recommending that the new Administration call for emergency Congressional appropriations to restore funds cut from aid for South Asia and United Nations technical assistance and children's programmes.

Mr Stevenson, challenged the Republicans on Tuesday to show their concern for Asia by doing something about India now "rather than talking about China yesterday".

It was part of the Democratic effort to use the Republicans' role in cutting India aid to counter Republican criticism of Administration policy in Asia. The Government had asked for \$170,000,000 in economic and technical aid to help stop the spread of Communism in South Asia, particularly India and Pakistan.

NO DECISION Congress, with a lot of Republican, and a little Democratic help, slashed the figure to \$68,000,000.

Officials considered the cut as ruinous and favoured supplemental appropriations to make it up.

Many of these experts endorse plans to recommend such a move to the new Administration. But there has been no final decision yet. There is no proposal to urge supplemental appropriations in the European aid programme which was slashed even more. Officials consider the Asian cuts as being more serious at the moment.

In its original request the Administration asked for \$115,000,000 for India, \$33,000,000 for Pakistan and lesser amounts for Indonesia and Burma. The money was mostly for Point Four technical assistance. Under the cuts the proposed programmes were shattered.—United Press.

Planning The New Europe

Genoa, Sept. 11. President Luigi Einaudi of Italy today opened a four-day conference of delegates from six Western nations to plan the co-operative economy of a federated Europe.

Almost 300 economic experts from France, Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxembourg and Italy attended the opening session in historic San Giorgio Palace.

Problems to be studied include: exchange and commercial policies for a federated European monetary system for a federated Europe; public expenses and taxes; and mobility of labour.—Associated Press.

Landlords Giving Away Houses

London, Sept. 11. Because they cannot afford repairs, nearly 1,000 Bristol landlords have offered their houses to the Corporation.

So far 104 have been bought, some for as little as £1. Others have been outright gifts.—Reuter.

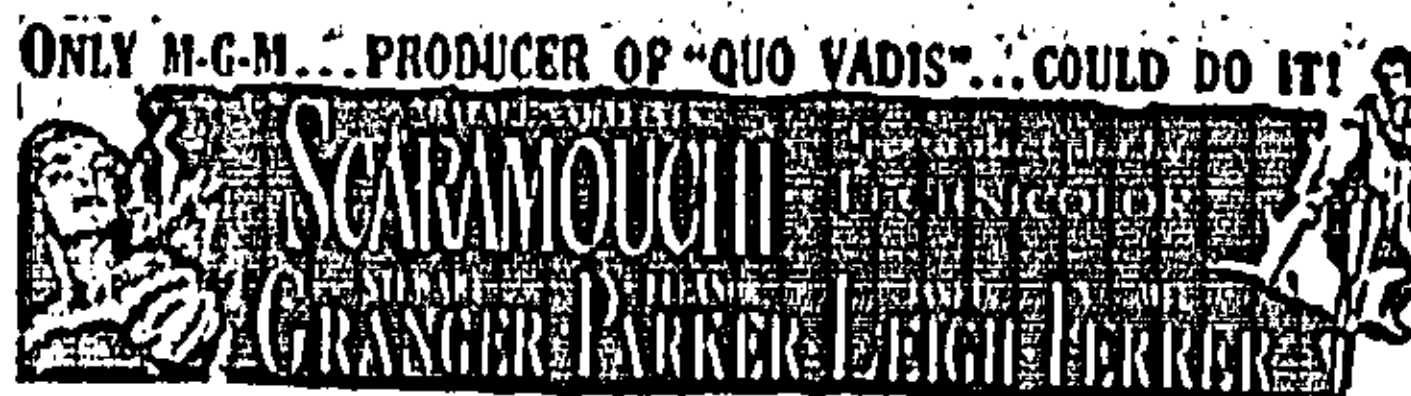
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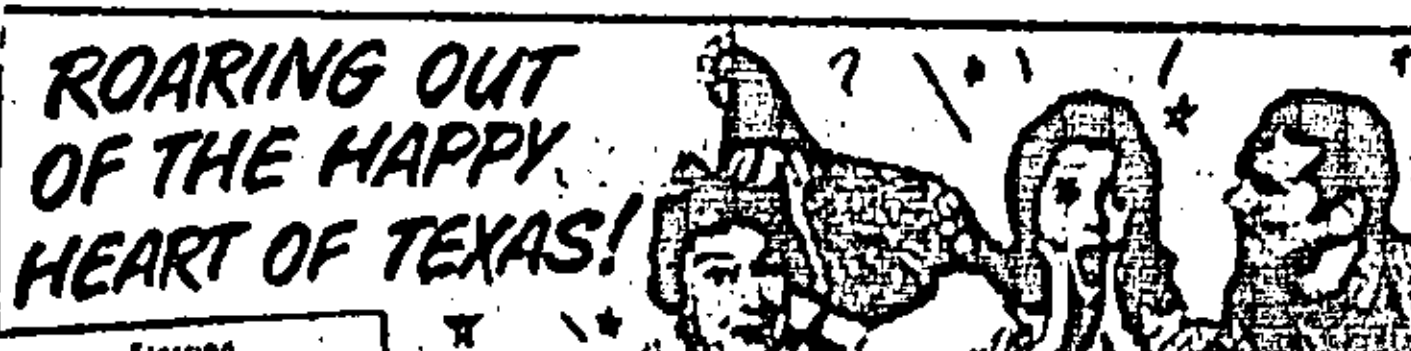
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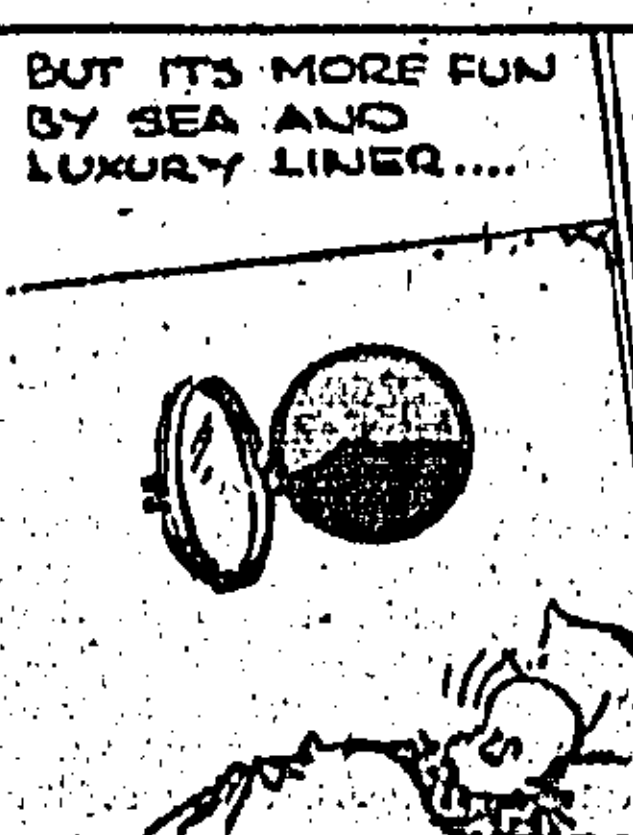
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Call For Establishment Of Finance Corporation For Commonwealth

SUGGESTION BY VISCOUNT BRUCE

London, Sept. 7.

Viscount Bruce of Melbourne, Chairman of the Finance Corporation for Industry, today called for the creation of a Commonwealth Finance Corporation adapted to the particular requirements of the Empire.

Speaking at the Corporation's annual meeting, he said: "I believe a Commonwealth Finance Corporation should be constituted to assist in the financing of development projects undertaken and managed by individual firms and associations over the widest field, including those that have their origin in other parts of the Commonwealth."

If the unparalleled effort to develop the latent resources of the Empire—which was imperative—was to succeed, finance on a scale never previously contemplated would be required and ways and means would have to be found of making such huge sums available.

"It seems to me that in this gigantic but inspiring task of Commonwealth development the City has an immense part to play and that it should in particular give a lead to the forthcoming Commonwealth conference."

Lord Bruce added: "Already without a new great policy of expansion, he was convinced from the applications received to provide overseas finance for valuable development projects or to protect existing British interests, that there was a gap in the financial facilities which the City of London can provide."

The Finance Corporation for Industry was an imaginative creation to meet a gap in our financial facilities. "If the results of the forthcoming economic conference are as fruitful as we all hope, they will be, new machinery must be created," Lord Bruce said.

It was well known that either through increased internal consumption or reduced production the sources of food supplies for Britain were progressively drying up. Without a spectacular and determined effort to increase food production, particularly within the Sterling Area, the question of providing for Britain's food needs must cause the gravest anxiety.

The raw materials situation, in face of the tremendous increase in world industrial production, was a problem of the first magnitude and an imaginative realistic programme of raw material production in our own area and territories must be undertaken immediately.—Reuter.

COPLAND'S SUGGESTION

Melbourne, Sept. 7. A rise in gold prices would be the greatest single step towards solving the Sterling Area's difficulties, Sir Douglas Copland, Vice-Chancellor of Australia's National University, said today. He told the International Congress of Junior Chambers of Commerce: "Raising the gold price and thus inducing inflation would be the very thing to restore free trading between the United States and the Sterling Area."

Simpler Health Certificates In Air Travel

London, Sept. 11. From October 1 air passengers arriving in Britain will no longer have to make a personal declaration of health. Simpler certificates of smallpox vaccination will come into effect on the same date. The international typhus inoculation certificate system has been discontinued. The changes follow the adoption by the fourth World Health Assembly of international sanitary regulations.—Reuter.

Racial Bar Protest Expected

United Nations, Sept. 11. Thirteen Arab-Asian nations expected tomorrow to request the United Nations to debate the South African Government's racial segregation laws. The group will meet in the offices of the Indonesian delegation to consider a letter and a memorandum drafted by Indonesia. The text of these documents is being kept secret, but they are understood to include an account of the passive resistance movement adopted by non-white inhabitants against the measures taken by the South African Government. In a memorandum to be drafted later, the group is expected to make out a detailed case accusing the South African racial laws of violating the Charter of the United Nations, the Human Rights Declaration and of running counter to the general trend of social morality in the United Nations. The following countries have already agreed to sponsor the complaint: India, Indonesia, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Afghanistan, the Lebanon and the Philippines.

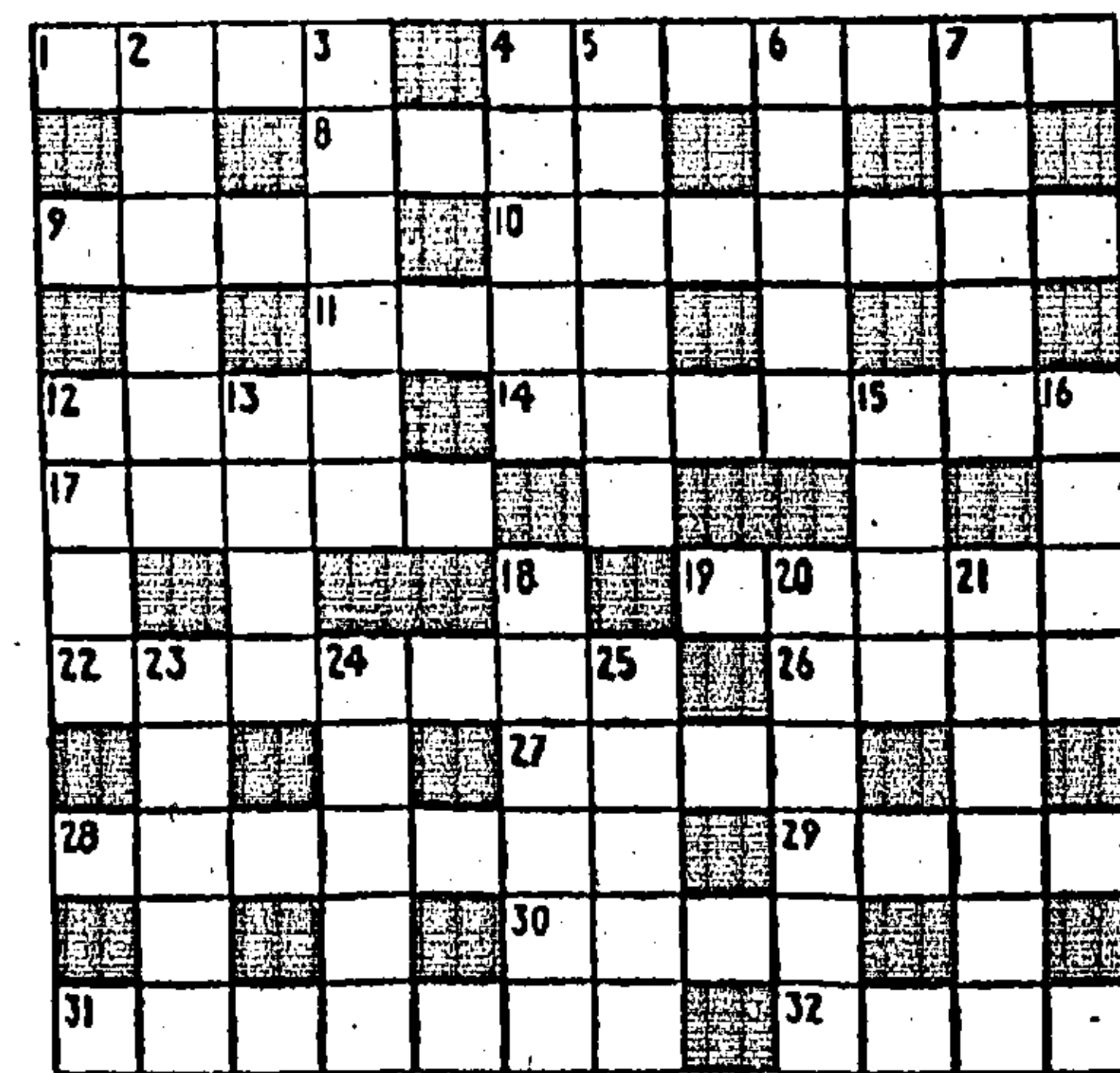
At today's meeting Pakistan, Burma, Egypt, Iran, Syria and the Yemen are expected to make their decision known. A decision is also expected from Ethiopia, Liberia and Thailand, who had been invited to join the group.

The deadline for getting the issue on the agenda is Sept. 14.—Reuter.

TURKISH ARMY PRAISED

Paris, Sept. 11. General Ridgway said today on his return from Turkey: "Turkish soldiers are unsurpassed by any of the forces of the 14 Atlantic Pact nations." General Ridgway, who flew here this afternoon, said that he was most impressed by the determination of the Turkish Army.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Emoluments (4).
 - Love affair (7).
 - Excursion (4).
 - Goat (4).
 - Shortage (7).
 - Sign (4).
 - Tumbled (4).
 - Opposite (7).
 - Grown-up (6).
 - Chic (5).
 - Entertained (7).
 - Exclamation of woe (4).
 - Influence (4).
 - Military formation (7).
 - Insects (4).
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 - Decides (7).
 - Side (4).
- DOWN**
- Discovered (6).
 - Walk casually (6).
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YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1. Custom, 5. Scrap, 8. Debar, 9. Burden, 10. Label, 11. Strut, 12. Lone, 13. Tests, 16. Modern, 18. Loaned, 20. Scars, 22. Ogre, 23. Atlas, 24. Agate, 26. Silent, 27. Error, 28. Cranes, 29. Sensed. Down: 1. Cobblers, 2. Strange, 3. Odds, 4. Mention, 6. Sealed, 6. Crater, 7. Avert, 14. Sniggers, 15. Selected, 16. Masters, 17. Debases, 19. Orates, 21. Eager, 24. Side.

Heinkel At Farnborough



Professor Ernst Heinkel, 64-year-old German designer of the Heinkel planes used by the Luftwaffe during the war, visits the British exhibition of new aircraft at Farnborough with his 14-year-old son Karl Ernst. He said he was "delighted with everything".—Express Photo.

Secret Meeting Of Women Has Men Worried

Reading, Sept. 11.

A hundred secretive women from 32 countries are conspiring here on how to make men give women the kind of world they want.

Curious outsiders who asked delegates to the conference of the Executive Committee of the International Council of Women what they were discussing were told "fundamental subjects affecting women all over the world."

"Much of our talk is technical. It wouldn't interest the public," said the Council President, Mrs. J. Eder Schwyzer, grey-haired dynamic research scientist from Zurich, Switzerland.

"Reports may be issued later on all resolutions passed," was all the assurance the President gave anxious males.

Lawyers, whose training can help them twist men around their little fingers, psychiatrists who know the working of man's mind, doctors, teachers and industrial leaders of social welfare organisations in the United States, Sweden, France, Australia, Argentina, Greece, Finland, India, Italy and Germany, are among the female world planners.

Miss Ten Broecke Hoekstra, from the Dutch Ministry of Social Affairs, "The Hague," believed "Employers must be educated before women can get equal pay." She suggested women could help by showing men they took work seriously.

"Women who powder their noses, comb their hair and knit in office hours—this lets hard workers down. Women must join trade unions and push their claims—there are not enough women in unions and men aren't working on women's side," Miss Hoekstra said.

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Operation "Ancient Wall" is part of the current NATO exercises ranging from the Battle to the Bosphorus. The Italian section is commanded by General Fratelli, Commander of the Allied land forces in Southern Europe. Parachute units will drop in simulated counter-attacking and rear-guard actions against attacking "red" forces.

Observers have noted that the exercises are either counter-attacking or diversionary rear-guard actions against a supposed enemy coming from the Soviet zone of Austria.

The main exercises began today. For 10 days, troops of the "Folgore" Division will pursue the "enemy," amphibious battalions will storm ashore in flank attacks in the Venice area, and Alpine troops will struggle up snow-covered mountains to harass the "enemy" advancing through passes below.

Then as the infantry and parachute units halt the "enemy," an armoured brigade will sweep forward to exploit the success and drive back the "invader."

The Italian soldiers will be supported by Italian and American warplanes, fighters and fighter-bombers.—Reuter.

Door Left Open For New Conference On Kashmir Issue

ENCOURAGING ATMOSPHERE

Geneva, Sept. 11.

The Indian and Pakistan delegations left Geneva today at the end of the talks on the future of Kashmir, which have left the door open for another conference later.

Dr Frank P. Graham, the United Nations Mediator and former American Senator, started to prepare his report to the Security Council.

The final communiqué was really an adjournment of the Geneva meetings called by Dr Graham to discuss what he has called "the character and number of forces to be left on either side of the cease-fire line in Kashmir at the end of demilitarisation, when the people of the State are given the promised plebiscite to decide their future."

Indian sources said today that in the Geneva talks there had been agreement on some of the minor points, even if the main issue of the cease-fire line forces was unresolved and stood adjourned.

Pakistan sources said that though there had been little positive achievement, the conversations had been carried on in the closest possible way between the two Ministers, Sir Mohammad Zafarullah Khan (Pakistan) and Mr. Gopalaswami Ayyangar (India)—and between individual advisers on both sides.

Away from the Indo-Pakistan sub-continent and in the neutral atmosphere of Geneva, the three delegations—the third being Dr Graham's—had been able to concentrate on the problems before them.

Fairly continuous and quick meetings, the Pakistan sources said, had been possible. HISTORY MADE

Members of both delegations have stated that greater understanding and cordiality between the two countries on the subject of Kashmir have been reached in Geneva than anywhere else in all the five years of the dispute.

The next conference will again be under United Nations auspices. "There has been no limitation whatever to do without the invaluable offices of Dr Graham, to whose sincerity of purpose and unflagging energy both sides have paid unstinted tribute."

The informal encounters between the two leaders in their rooms at the Hotel de Rhod made history. No outsiders were present. Their conversations were not recorded. They were completely at their ease and could speak their minds.

Mr. Ayyangar and Sir Mohammed Zafarullah, acting on their own initiative, evolved a new technique of personal and informal talks between Ministers which may influence future conferences.

Their meetings are regarded by both sides as one of the fruits of Dr Graham's untiring efforts to solve a problem which inevitably affects the peace of Asia and, indeed, of the whole world.—Reuter.

Lord Mayor Prefers Use Of "Empire"

London, Sept. 11.

Sir Leslie Boyce, the Australian-born Lord Mayor of London, today criticised the substitution of the name "British Commonwealth" for "British Empire."

He told a luncheon given by the Air League of the British Empire that he envied those who came from the British Colonies.

"You have not got these people treating your birth-right as though it was something for sale by telling you that you are no longer a British citizen, although you are probably the first citizen of London and forcing you to go down the Strand and inviting you to look for a High Commissioner, who can give you a new one."

Sir Leslie told the audience, which included the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Lyttelton, and the Minister for Civil Aviation, Mr. Lennox-Boyd, that "Englishmen have been trying to fix things so that those who come from self-governing Dominions would no longer be members of the British Empire, the most glorious institution that history has ever known."—Reuter.

Winston Stays In

Nice, Sept. 11.

Rain and strong winds kept the British Premier, Mr. Winston Churchill, indoors today on the second day of his Riviera holiday in Lord Beaverbrook's Villa Caprice, near here. Temperatures were down to 58 degrees Fahrenheit.—Reuter.

Bradley Off To Europe

Washington, Sept. 11.

General Omar Bradley left by plane today for Europe to confer with Allied Commanders there and watch troop manoeuvres.

General Bradley, United States representative on the Military Committee of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation, plans to meet General Matthew B. Ridgway, Supreme Allied Commander, General Alfred Gruenther, General Ridgway's Chief of Staff, and General Thomas Handy, Deputy Commander-in-Chief of American forces in Europe.—Reuter.

Ceylon's Trade With Reds

Singapore, Sept. 11.

Ceylon is prepared to sell all her rubber to Communist China if Peking offers a favourable price, Mr. V. Kumaramswamy, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ceylon Minister of Food, announced today.

Mr. Kumaramswamy and two Ceylonese officials arrived here by air as members of a goodwill trade mission on the way from Peking.

The mission, he said, would sell rubber in exchange for food, particularly rice from China.

Although Ceylonese rubber merchants have traded with Red China in the past this is the first time that the Ceylon Government has entered into rubber negotiations directly with the Peking regime.

Meanwhile, a Washington report said that United States Government officials had expressed concern over reports that Ceylon planned to sell all her rubber output to Communist China but they said that there was nothing America could do about it.

It was pointed out that while the United States opposed such action all it could do would be to try to dissuade the Ceylonese Government.

The officials said that there were many pitfalls in tying one's economy to that of the Communist orbit and hoped that Ceylon might see the dangers involved in setting any irrevocable policy.—United Press.

Increasing U.S. Foreign Investments

Washington, Sept. 11.

Mr. Eric Johnston, Chairman of the American Development Advisory Board, said today he hoped American private investment in foreign countries could be raised to \$4,000 million by 1960.

Last year it was \$2,500 million. Mr. Johnston, whose Board is part of President Truman's Point Four programme for underdeveloped countries, told a Press conference America was becoming more dependent on foreign raw materials resources.

"It is to our enlightened self-interest to share in the development of these resources," he added. A conference on private investment would open in San Francisco on September 24, at which representatives of underdeveloped countries could explain what they needed and what they were prepared to do to attract dollar capital.

Government officials from Pakistan, Mexico and Colombia would attend, he added.—Reuter.



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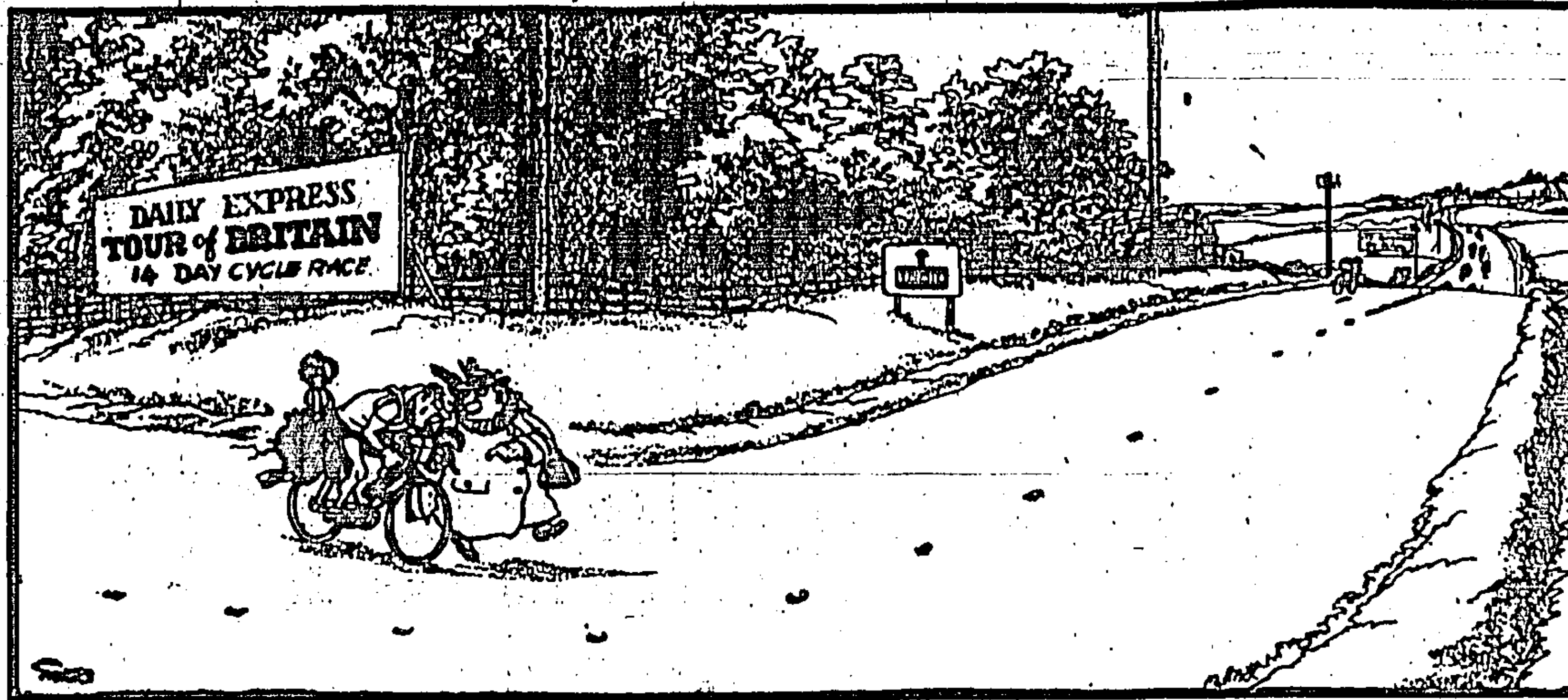
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London Express Service

HOW DARE they lecture us?

by A. P. HERBERT

I ALWAYS try to respect religious opinion. For 33 years I have given practical proof of my respect for "Christian marriage."

During the long battle for the Matrimonial Causes Act, 1937, I did all I could to treat Church opinion tenderly; and that is why the Bill became law.

But the latest lecture of the Church Times is the last straw.

That distinguished organ says, on August 22:—

(1) "The position which we have taken up is not that of an Anglo-Catholic minority in the Church. It is the view of the whole Church, apart from a modernist minority which is prepared to ignore both the Gospel and the Prayer-book."

(2) "The outcry... has shown most clearly the extent to which public opinion has now abandoned the sanctity of marriage... Marriage means one thing to those who recognise Our Lord's authority. It means something quite different to those who do not."

I warmly deny both propositions. The Church Times has no more right to speak for "public opinion" than it has for "the whole Church." Most of us, I am sure, whether we recognise "Our Lord's authority" or not, have the same "ideal" of marriage as the editor. Many of those who do, disagree about the texts and their application.

But so, through the ages, have the churchmen.

What is "Our Lord's authority"? Who knows? The royal commission of 1912 examined numerous bishops, divines, and scholars, but could find among them no agreement as to the true conception to be put upon various well-known passages of Scripture dealing with this subject.

In Hansard...

I HAVE before me some faded Hansards—the debates in the House of Lords upon my Bill, which, by permitting divorce for desertion, got Mr Eden into this trouble.

The (late) Bishop of Durham—the great Dr Hensley Henson—replying to the late Archbishop of Canterbury, said: "You rely on St Mark? But what about St Matthew? And since when have we drawn distinctions between the Gospels?"

"I prefer to stand on the general position of the Church, and to say that Our Lord's teaching, as we have it transmitted to us in the four canonical Gospels, teaches with every adequate reason that the marriage union is indissoluble."

"We are on the strongest possible ground when we say that we are entitled to claim that our blessed Lord, as understood by the historic Church, did authorise in certain circumstances the dissolution of the marriage union..."

"I believe that this Bill... so far from bringing the law of England into conflict with the law of Christ, would bring the law of England into deeper and truer harmony with that law."

The Bishop of Edmundsbury and Ipswich said:—

"I do not believe that this is a State Bill divorced from Christian feeling. I believe it represents the truest Christian feeling of the country. I think it is in accordance with Christ's spirit."

THE EDEN MARRIAGE

There are two archbishops and 24 bishops in the House of Lords. Only one voted against the Third Reading: two voted for it. Both archbishops, for honourable reasons, which were explained, abstained.

On which side was "Our Lord's authority"?

The Voice of the Church, then, is confused and uncertain (what-ever resolutions may recently have secured a majority vote in convocation), not about the "ideal of Christian marriage" but about the admissibility of divorce. There is nothing surprising or blame-worthy in this, considering the sparse, remote, and conflicting nature of the evidence available.

But there is more. I hate to use the word "humbug" in any controversy; but let me say that the Voice of the Church has been

kind it some very loose and inconsistent thinking.

Churchmen, properly and temperately, opposed every new ground for divorce proposed in my Bill (and recommended by the royal commission), including five years' insanity.

But we also added four new grounds for "nullity," that is, grounds upon which the courts may declare a lawful marriage to be null and void.

No one opposed these proposals in the Commons; and not one bishop said a word about them in the Lords. There was none of the usual stuff about "hard cases make bad law." Because it is called "nullity," not "divorce," all is well.

I remember saying to a colleague, "I wish I had put more into the nullity clause. We should have had much less trouble."

But if St Mark is to be strictly interpreted, some of the new grounds, at least, are wrong. Let me take one example to make the point clear.

If a man divorces his first wife after five years' "incurable insanity," he would risk the displeasure of the Church Times on his second marriage.

But if he "put her away," within a year, by way of "nullity," because she was found to be subject to "recurrent fits of insanity or epilepsy," he would be free to marry again at once, with not a word of reproach from Portugal Street (the Church Times' address).

What is more, the archbishop could marry him in Westminster Abbey.

But where is "Our Lord's authority" for this? How dare such loose thinkers lecture the decent people of England on lack of "principle."

Now, Mr Eden was not married a second time in church, but before a registrar. The editor of the Church Times is perhaps too young to remember what was the law before 1938.

Mr Eden was the "petitioner" in his case; and up to 1937 any clergyman would have been bound by law to marry him in church.

Conscience

EVEN if he had been divorced himself on grounds of misconduct, no churchman in holy orders would have been "liable to any suit, penalty or censure" for marrying him in church a second time.

This position, intolerable to very many clergymen, was changed by the Act of 1937. There was nothing about it in Mr Holford Knight's Bill, which I took over; but I added a new clause, drafted by Mr Claud Mullins.

Now, a clergyman may refuse to marry any person, "innocent" or "guilty," whose marriage has been dissolved; and he may also refuse permission for such a marriage to be celebrated in his church by any other clergyman.

This clause was intended to relieve the conscience of individual clergymen, and give all concerned their freedom. Some may wish that the Church had left it at that.

Instead, as she was entitled to do, she has chosen to forbid any clergyman to marry a divorced person, innocent or guilty. That is her own affair.

But, "give them an inch and they take an ell."

Having secured from Parliament the full freedom of the Churches, they seem to be extending their empire over the registrar offices. I suggest that this is going a little too far.

It is one thing to regret divorce—I regret them all. It is quite another to say that good men and women, lawfully married a second time, are "living in sin." On behalf of multitudes in that position I take leave to resent the thought and the language, on whatever obscure texts it is thought to be founded.

Next time a respectable statesman who has had an unhappy life seeks comfort in a second marriage, I hope that Portugal Street will keep quiet about "Our Lord's authority."

Study first...

LET the Church Times do a little hard thinking and study, first.

Meanwhile I should be glad to hear how they reconcile the new nullity grounds I have mentioned with St Mark X.

The charge is not so much that they interfere with other people's business, but that they don't seem to know their own.

"What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder"—a passage quoted by the late Archbishop of Canterbury in the Lords debate on my Bill.

New York.

HOLLYWOOD hearts beat a little faster today — because honey-haired Hedda Hopper is bringing out a book.

For 62-year-old Hedda is one of Hollywood's gossip queens. She earns nearly £30,000 a year (before taxes) for chattering to 40,000,000 radio listeners and readers of her column in more than 80 newspapers.

Her subject: The deeds and misdeeds of Hollywood celebrities. She knows them all personally. She has been there 30 years. She is the woman the stars dare not offend.

Hedda's book is called "From Under My Hat." Hats are her trademark. She spends nearly £1,800 a year on them.

And now from under her hat Hedda Hopper has produced a bookful of stories like these:—

CLARK GABLE got his start with his big ears pinned to his head with the make-up man's putty.

MAE WEST, interviewed on marriage: "Money and success first. I've been en-



gaged a few times. Mother always found fault. She was right.

"If I hadn't listened when she said I'd get tired of them, I'd have had to shell out a fortune for divorcees."

MARLENE DIETRICH told Ribbentrop in pre-war London: "I don't go out with strange men." When Ribbentrop said surely she knew him, she replied: "Only by reputation."

CLARA BOW said: "When Gary Cooper puts his arms round me I feel like a horse." But his picture with Clara made horse-riding Cooper a star. He took all his servants for a ride while she swam, wearing nothing but a huge straw hat.

TALLULAH BANK-HEAD turned handsprings for a banker friend at his party at the Waldorf after he carelessly promised to give her anything she named. She named the price of a passage to England.

Cochran had promised Tallulah a stage job. The promise and the passage led directly to stardom.

HEDDA HOPPER on herself: "I left home to escape being a butcher's daughter, and it does seem ironical that I was to spend the rest of my life dealing in ham."

So A JET-MAN takes a joy-ride in A TANK

by
Group Captain
HUGH DUNDAS

NOW I know what I would do if I were an Army-minded 18-year-old off on National Service.

I would join the Royal Armoured Corps and be one of the knights in armour who bash about in Britain's Centurion tanks—the hard-hitting, go-anywhere tanks which are so good that the U.S. is going to spend a lot of dollars to buy them for the Allies.

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If you want to let off steam for a couple of years there is no place like the cockpit or the gun-turret of a Centurion for doing it. I know. For I have just been "having a bash" myself, as a guest at the Royal Armoured Corps Centre, Bovington, Dorset.

First I watched Centurions on firing practice. They were crowded by men on detachment from their regiments, doing an instructors' course.

Either stationary or at full tilt over the bumpy ground their accuracy was fantastic. The old "shell" target tanks scattered about the range, at distances varying between 1,000 and 3,000 yards, took a sort of direct

hit from the high-velocity, low trajectory 20-pounders.

I began to suspect that I was watching a picked demonstration team. But it was not so, as I was allowed to find out for myself.

A sergeant-major brought me a pair of overalls, the colonel said: "Have a bash"; and there I was, twining my 6ft. 4ins. into the driving cockpit of the world's best medium tank.

A corporal, looking more confident than I felt, crouched on the armour above and beside me and gave me the drill. The "steering wheel" was two levers—one right, one left. The clutch was a massive bar on a spring, made for he-men. The gear-lever stuck up like the joystick of a plane.

I pressed the button and the 650 horse-power engine started up first kick. We were away. Over anything, up anything, down anything, through anything—I recommend the Centurion for building up your accuracy was fantastic. The old "shell" target tanks scattered about the range, at distances varying between 1,000 and 3,000 yards, took a sort of direct

swung right or left. A twist of the left hand, and the whole shooting match went up or down.

"Target—Sherman tank, 800 yards to the front," barked the tank commander, a warrant officer from the famed 7th (Desert Rat) Division in Germany. The loader rammed in his shell. I twisted left-hand, twisted right-hand, found the mark, fired.

And that, by jingo, was that—so far as the Sherman was concerned. A flick? Let me tell you that master-gunner Dundas did it again, and again—and once more for good measure.

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Then we were on the move. The stabiliser was switched on, and however much we turned, rocked and plunged over the ground that stabiliser kept my gun lined up in the right direction. And with a twist of my hands I found that the sight could be kept on the tiny target nearly a mile away.

Pupil-gunner Dundas scored some more hits as his tank bounced round in a complete circle. And, from my inside position, with eyes glued to the magic gun-sight, I never even realised we were turning.

It was the most exhilarating half-hour I have spent in many a long day. I went into it with my knees shaking and my fingers in my ears. And I came out of it feeling like Sir Lancelot after a successful joust.

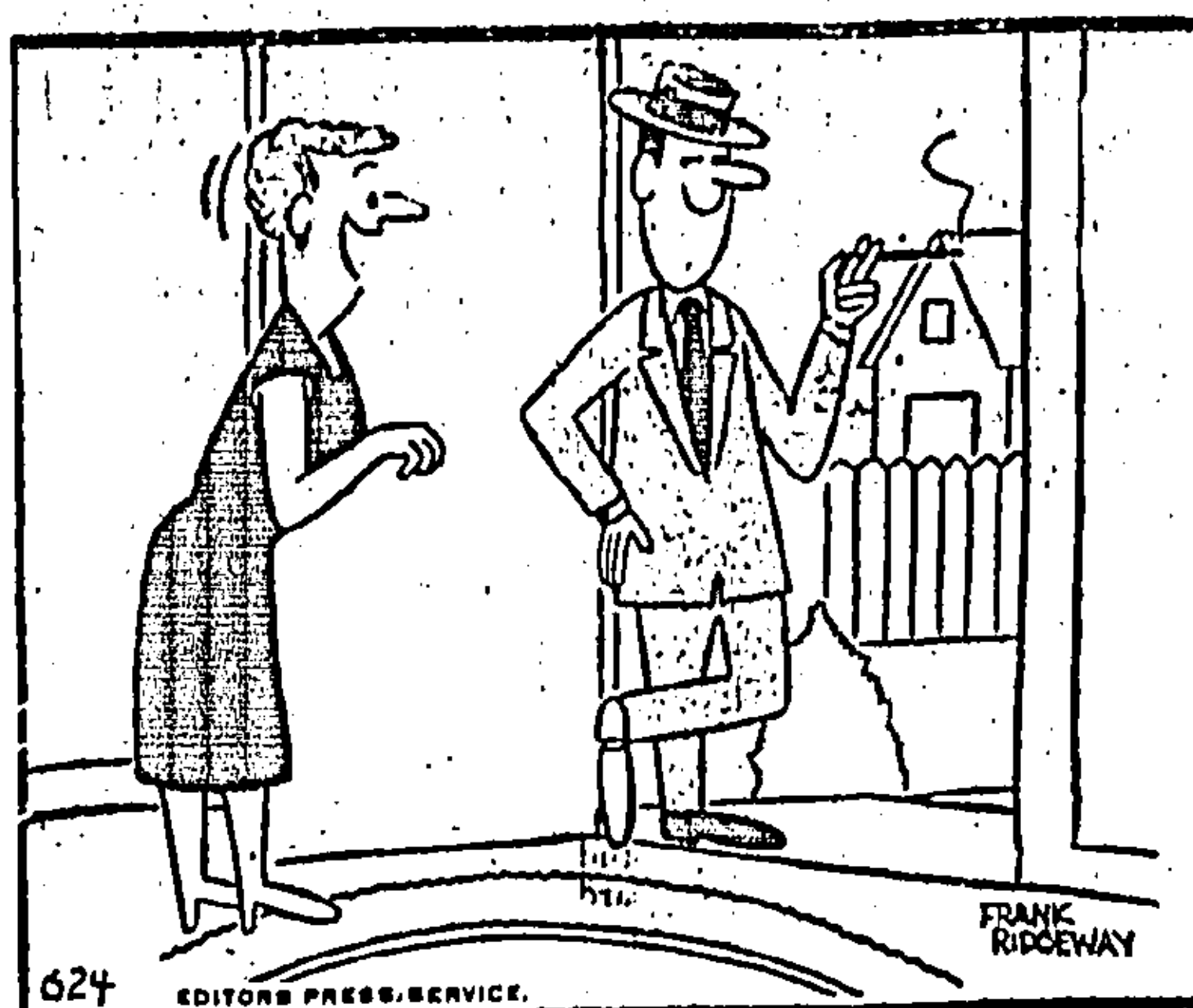
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• BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

A STORY in Mr. J. C. Masterman's "To Touch the Senators' Wisdom" recalls to me the old Oxford Theatre, where it was customary to have minor riots when I was a stripling.

A professor saw an undergraduate carrying a large parcel and hurrying eastward over Magdalen Bridge. Suspecting noisy fun at the East Oxford Theatre, the professor stopped him, and asked to see what he was carrying. The parcel contained a large turbot, for throwing purposes. "Why are you carrying that fish?" asked the professor. "Oh, sir, replied the undergraduate, "I thought it was a sound thing to have about me." I regret that I did not realize the possibilities of fish in a theatre until it had come down from Oxford.

In passing

IT is possible that the people who humbugged the poor Dean of Canterbury had a sense of humour. In other words, there were traitors in the Communist ranks, whose job was to make the Dean's story ridiculous. Instead of impressive, how else is one to explain the description of schoolchildren going

A treat for Helsinki

THE Committee which chose the headgear for our representative sportmen at Helsinki evidently was afraid to do the job properly. The sportmen wore dark blue felt hats with red, white, and blue ribbons. The smart effect would have been heightened if each hat bore the legend on its ribbon "Sez You" or "H.M.S. Intolerable." Cup-tips and tails should have been carried by each sportsman, and also little balloons to burst in people's faces.

Wisdom of the ages

HE who buys sugar from an Arabian grocer, and complains of sand, is expecting too much. (Arab proverb.)

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

BORN today, the stars have been generous in giving you a great deal of natural talent as well as the ability to make the best possible use of it. A good conversationalist and a good public speaker, you have the gift of keeping a confidence inviolate and can be trusted with all kinds of secret matters without tipping your hand. You would probably plan to get some outdoor exercise to balance things.

You enjoy activity of all kinds and thrive on excitement. The more there is, the better you like it. You have a quick and lively time biting wit and must learn to curb it or you may hurt the feelings of those who are sensitive. Yet, you are usually so right in

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Concentrate on research problems right now. You should be able to find the answer to a long-standing problem.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—You may need to take work home from the office but plan to get some outdoor exercise to balance things.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)—This can be a day of rare happiness if you make the right decisions. Be calm at a time of crisis.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Don't be disturbed by rumours or gossip. The best thing is to ignore them.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)—Work that you do with your hands will have more effective results than brain work. Plan your activities accordingly.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)—If you work hard during office hours, you can plan to spend a convivial evening with friends at home.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20)—A fine day for love, romance and

CROSSWORD

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• BARBS

By IAL COCHRAN

YOU meet a lot of shady people on the sunny side of the street.

The wife of a theatrical producer lost a valuable necklace. There's a chance for hubby to create a scene.

Our reply to the scientist who said that the germ for the common cold is too small to be seen by the microscope: "Don't use it!"

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HOME RUGBY UNION SEASON WILL BE THE POORER FOR THE ABSENCE OF A TOURING TEAM

Says DEREK JOHN

The Home Rugby Union scene will be the poorer this season for the absence of any touring team. Last year's visit by the South Africans created an upsurge of enthusiasm which club games and the Home Internationals may not be able to satisfy.

To a certain degree, however, the memories of the South African visit will be restored by the Welsh XV if they continue where they left off last season.

Always willing to learn from the opposition, the Welshmen attempted the Springbok style of passing between the forwards. While they may not have been as proficient as the Boks, they met with a certain measure of success, notably in the deciding game with Ireland, which they won to regain the mythical Triple Crown.

WELSH SHOULD WIN

Because of their success last season and perhaps because the present side is younger than the match-winning combination of three seasons ago, Wales must be regarded as potential Champions.

But whether they can pull off the Triple Crown for the third time in four years is another question. For this to happen they must beat outright England, Scotland and Ireland; just one draw and the Crown will be lost.

Wales will undoubtedly feel the loss of one of their best forwards, Don Hayward, who during the close season left his native Monmouthshire to take up residence in New Zealand.

In Wellington he will renew friendships made during the 1950 tour with the British team. It is conceivable that he may return to play against his countrymen on the next Kiwi tour.

Also missing from the Welsh team will be such fine players as Dr. Jack Matthews, Cliff Davies and Frank Trot. They have all announced their retirement.

On the credit side, Wales still have John Gwilliam to lead the team. The enigmatic Lewis Jones, top scorer on the 1950 tour, has resumed professional offers and will also be available to take his place anywhere in the back division.

Already he has been capped by Wales as a full-back, cen-

tre-three and wing-three-quarter. Then, of course, there is the only ever-present since the war, Ken Jones, the Olympic sprinter and Newport wing three-quarter.

Jones, scorer of two great tries and hero of the Welsh victory over England at Twickenham, appears to lose none of his speed with the passing years.

Now 32, he defended his Welsh AAA 100 Yards title recently and is likely to thrill the crowds again this season with more of his electrifying runs.

ENGLAND'S CHALLENGE

Taking last season's form as the basis for speculation, Wales are likely to be run closest by England who finished second in the international table.

Under the captaincy of Nim Hail, England suffered only one defeat and can expect another good season now that the problem full-back berth has been satisfactorily filled.

John Collins, the young Cambridge player, when the selectors entrusted with this important position, looks too fragile to stand up to the hurly-burly of an international.

But he has the right spirit. His accurate left-footed touch and his about the best in the country and his tackling improves with every game.

Problem for the England selectors will be to find the right combination in the three-quarter line. Among the likely candidates are Boobbyer and Cunnell; both are at present with the Oxford University touring team in Japan.

Others are Winn, Woodward, Agar and Bazley who were all capped last season. Constant switching of the back is not conducive to good play. England must lose no time in making their choice and, having made it, should stick to it. (London Express Service).

Rugby League Tour

The "Kangaroos" Are Bigger, Better, Heavier And Faster

"Bigger and better, heavier and faster". No it is not an American describing his country's latest battleship, but a description of the Australian Rugby League touring side, the "Kangaroos", who are visiting Britain this winter.

The team is, on the average, slightly older than the one which came in 1948, but even so their average age is only 23½. Their average weight is about 13½ stone.

Until two years ago, Britain reigned supreme, but on the tour of 1950 Britain lost the ashes which she had held for over 20 years. The Australians have brought the ashes over with them, but they plan to take them back again on the return journey.

Judging from their early workouts and practices their chances of doing this are high. With 28 players, two complete teams and two utility players, the Kangaroos have been able to stage full-scale practice matches, and they have shown that despite their youth, they have much experience.

This was particularly in evidence in the now play-the-ball rule.

DEVELOPED A LIKING

Although at the international conference they were against the introduction of the rule, the Australians have now developed a liking for it. This is since touring New Zealand, where the Kiwis showed that the new rule made for more passing movements.

The Aussies will have an advantage over Britain in this respect. For although they were beaten 2-1 by the New Zealanders, they learnt much from the excellent way the Kiwis played the new rule.

The fact that the Kiwis beat them, and last season's Britain

beat the Kiwis fairly comfortably, does not mean that Britain is set for an easy victory over the Aussies. For the New Zealand team played much better against the Australians than they did in Britain.

A player who will delight the crowds, and prove a headache to the opposition, is winger Noel Pidding, the wonder goal-kicker. Pidding's feats are indeed phenomenal. In one match he scored 12 goals from 13 attempts. And most of them were from the touch line. In 17 games for his club, he scored 204 points.

PLENTY OF WEIGHT

There is plenty of weight in the forwards. Brian Davies and Harry Crook, who have played in previous Tests, both tip the scales at over 15 stone, and John Rooney, the heaviest man in the party, goes nearly 16.

Captain of the side is Clive Churchill, who for the past two years has been Australia's player of the year. He captained the side in 1950 and has played in 17 Tests.

Whatever the results of their matches, the Kangaroos' tour can do the British game much good, just as the South Africans on their tour last year increased enthusiasm and brought bigger gates to Rugby Union. Kangaroos can do the same for the League. (London Express Service).

Best-Dressed Cricketer

By ARCHIE QUICK

The best-dressed cricketer in the business today is the lithe, tidy Jack Robertson of Middlesex. Half close your eyes and watch his athletic figure in the deep field and you can visualise Jack Hearne, Middlesex No. 3 in the years between the Wars.

The two Jacks wear their flannels the same, the cap is pulled down square over the eyes, there are the same sloping shoulders and creases of carriage. An identical walk.

"J.W.", called "The Younger", to distinguish him from his uncle "J.T.", is now 61, but as ever, trim, slim and athletic as ever. He lives at West Drayton (Middlesex), hard by the RAF station at Uxbridge, and holds down a comfortable job with a firm on the Great West Road.

Never goes near Lord's for the County games—"much too busy working or looking after my garden", but you will find "young Jack" sitting on the Old Players' Balcony at headquarters most days of all Test Matches among a host of other cricketers, and he is entitled to wear the England and MCC blazer and tie.

A GREAT NAME

Hearne is a great name in cricket. In addition to "J.T." and "J.W." there was a George Hearne, Pavilion Clerk at Lord's for 40 years before he died at the age of eighty, and a Crounch Superintendent, and a Thomas Junior, who held sway over the St. John's Wood turf for nearly half a century.

Kent and Buckinghamshire monopolised the other Hearnes, Alec, Frank (who also played for South Africa), George and Walter, of the Kent branch of the family, and George Thomas and William, of Buckinghamshire.

George also played for South Africa. There is a Peter Hearne still playing for Kent, but no relation—and no final "e" please, Mr. Printer.

"Young Jack", whom I met at his West Drayton home a week or two ago, scored 37,250 runs in his first class career, and obtained 1,000 runs in 10 different seasons.

He completed 60 hundreds, scored a century against Australia (114 at Melbourne in the 1911-12 winter), and thrice achieved a "hat-trick".

Or that record his comment is: "I wish I could have made it a century of hundreds."

He stands behind Hobbs, Hendren, Hammond, Mead, Sutcliffe, Woolley, Grace, Bradman, Sandham, Hayward, Hutton, Ames, Tisdell (E) and Crompton. Indeed, an Ames company. And his is 13th in total aggregate.

Looking back on his life Jack says: "The two greatest things that can happen to a cricketer is to make the 'Grand Tour' of Australia, and enjoy the privilege of ever having played the game."

Young Retains Speedway Title

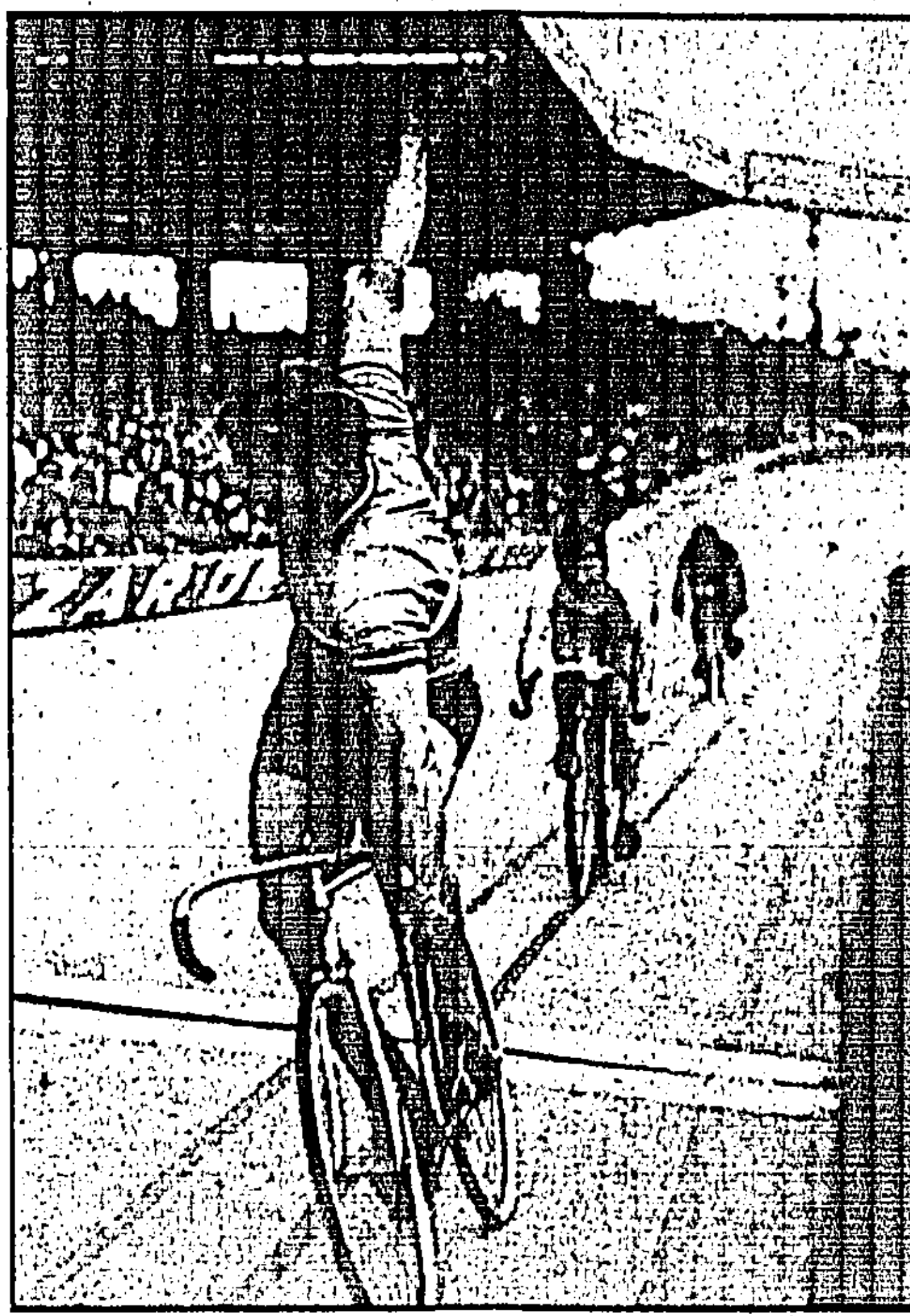
London, Sept. 11. Jack Young, of West Ham, retained his British speedway race title at New Cross last night when he defeated Freddie Williams, of Wembley, in two straight runs.

Williams crashed in the first heat and in the second led throughout.

Harringay beat New Cross 63-31 in Division 1 League.

Other results: League Division II: Glasgow White City 41 Liverpool 25; Southern League: Cardiff 59 Ipswich 25. Aldershot 54 St. Russell 30; Midland Cup semi-final: Cardiff Leicester 39 Birmingham 63.—Reuter.

HARRIS DETHRONED



With an exultant shout, French rider Senfftleben crosses the line to win the World Sprint Cycling Championship at the Parc des Princes in Paris. British rider Reg Harris, winner in the three previous years, is seen behind.—Express Photo.

Test TV Has Not Hit Champions Surrey

Says Mr H. G. Clark, Honorary Secretary of the Essex County Cricket Club: "Something will have to be done to compensate clubs hit by the televising of Test matches."

Essex estimate that their loss for this season, when five of their home matches clashed with Tests, is about £1,000. Yet gate aggregates are up.

"I do not suggest," Mr Clark told me, "that televising the 1953 matches against the Australians should be abandoned, but Essex and other counties think that TV fees should be increased and should go into a pool to help counties who suffer."

HARD TO ASSESS
I asked other southeastern clubs whether they had suffered similarly, with this result.

Surrey: We have not suffered so far, but others have. Middlesex: Our Saturday gate in 1952, normally 20,000, was down to 14,000. On that day the Manchester Test was being televised. To what degree the television caused the falling-off it is difficult to say.

Sussex: The weather which almost blotted out the Eastbourne match against Essex, lost us about £800 there—a more serious item than the Test television. It is hard to disentangle these different influences affecting gates.

My prophecy is that though the effect of Test on gates will certainly be discussed at the winter meeting of the Advisory County Cricket Committee at Lord's, the 1953 Test matches against Australia will certainly be placed on view.

Many sports, including cricket, are awaiting a report on the subject from the Association for the Protection of Copyright in Sport.

YORKSHIRE EXILES
J. R. Ashman, a left-arm spin bowler who took four wickets against Surrey last season, has been released by Yorkshire. He is to join Gloucestershire. Last week Yorkshire also decided to release leg-break bowler Eddie Leadbeater.

If Leadbeater joins another county there are likely to be 24 "exiles" from Yorkshire in county cricket next season. Here is the list of Yorkshiremen who are professional with other counties: Gibb, Horsfall and Greensmith (Essex); Laker (Surrey); Bennett (Middlesex); Hamer (Derbyshire); McHugh (Gloucestershire); Walker (Hampshire); Brookes, Barrick, Jakeman, Gressley and Fiddling (Northants); Smithson and Firth (Leicestershire); Smiles and Stocks (Notts); Lawrence, Robinson and Wilson (Somerset); Horner (Warwickshire) and Dows (Worcester).

International discard Donald Cameron scored his third success last week in the Glasgow Amateur Golf Championship at Pollok with an aggregate of 130, one shot ahead of Lindsay Miller of Cawdor. Miller's new course record of 68 in his first round was equalled by Alistair Moodie of the home club in the afternoon.

Entries Open For Snooker League
Tommy Orr, Morton's international inside-right, and captain for three years who hasn't kicked a ball for three months, has publicly stated he will never play for Morton again. Tommy, a civil engineer, said: "I don't care if I never play again. I am happy at my work."

He added "If Morton were frank about the entire business they would place me on the open-transfer list. My figure was too big for them. I could have to the Scottish League to have it reduced. I don't know my worth from Morton's viewpoint. From other sources I learn that it is between £12,000 and £15,000."

Tommy McGuinness of Wiltshire, one of the best amateur lightweights in Scotland, is to apply for a professional licence. If it is granted in time, Tommy will make his first appearance in the paid ranks at the second of Charlie Black's promotions at the Music Hall, Edinburgh, on September 20.—(London Express Service).

Civil Aid Orders

Orders by the Hon. C. E. Terry, Commissioner, Civil Aid Services, of September 12, 1952.

Command Post Training, Hong-kong—All members Watch No. 1 attend 1.30 p.m. Thursday, September 18, at Hongkong Command Post.

Command Post Training, Kowloon—All members Watch No. 1 attend 6 p.m. Thursday, September 18, at Kowloon Command Post.

Orders by Mr E. Manning, Acting Chief Warden, of September 12, 1952.
Appointments—With the approval of the Hon. Commissioner, Civil Aid Services, the Acting Chief Warden has made the following appointments:

Mr Ng Pak-chuen to be Zone Warden, Shaukiwan, w.e.f. 15.9.52. Mr Lee Tin-sang to be Deputy Zone Warden, Shaukiwan, w.e.f. 15.9.52.

Appointments, Warden Service—The Acting Warden has made the following appointments: 4003 Mr Lam Shiu-kwan, 4309 Mr Chang Yuen-chung, 4311 Mr Tsai Kwong, 4307 Mr Ling Cho-lung, 4322 Mr Pau Chi-tuen, 214 Mr Tang Chik-shum, 218 Mr Ng Hon-cheung, 242 Mr Chiu Kwong, 245 Mr D. Lok Kai-ming to be Post Wardens w.e.f. 10.9.52; 4304 Mr Lam Kin-hun, 205 Mr Tai Hei-ming, 215 Mr Mok Yung-poon, 216 Mr Wong Yee-chun, 220 Mr Lau Kwok-chue, 247 Mr Yeung Chai-sing, 251 Mr Wat Pui-lam, 210 Mr Wong Che-chung, 214 Mr Tang Kim-fung, 207 Mr Lam Tung to act as Post Wardens w.e.f. 10.9.52.

Training, Warden Service—Classes of instruction for Wardens will be held as follows during the week beginning September 15, 1952.

Course C/3, St. Joseph's College, Tuesday & Friday at 7 p.m., G. Instructor Mr Ng Hon-cheung.

Course C/4, St. Joseph's College, Tuesday & Friday at 8 p.m., G. Instructor Mr Tang Chik-shum.

Course C/5, St. Joseph's College, Tuesday at 7 p.m., A. Instructor Mr Wong On-lui, Friday at 7 p.m., G. Instructor Mr Lo Yuen-fai.

Course C/6, St. Joseph's College, Tuesday at 8 p.m., G. Instructor Mr Lok Kai-ming, Friday at 8 p.m., F. Instructor Mr Lau Kai-ming.

Course W/2, Bellville Public School, Tuesday & Friday at 7 p.m., G. Instructor Mr Lau Woot-long.

Course W/4, Bellville Public School, Tuesday & Friday at 8 p.m., G. Instructor Mr Hanzy Wood.

Course W/5, Bellville Public School, Monday at 7 p.m., A. Instructor Mr Eric Fung, Thursday at 7 p.m., G. Instructor Mr Lo Chi-ki.

Course W/6, Bellville Public School, Monday at 8 p.m., G. Instructor Mr Fung Yam-leung, Thursday at 8 p.m., F. Instructor Mr Chan Chun-ying.

Course U/1, Northcote Training College, Tuesday & Friday at 7 p.m., G. Instructor Mr Chan Ching-yin.

Course U/2, Northcote Training College, Tuesday & Friday at 8 p.m., G. Instructor Mr Chung Ping-lam.

Course U/3, Northcote Training College, Monday at 7.30 p.m., R. Instructor Mr Chan But-yue, Monday at 8.30 p.m., A. Instructor, Mr Stephen Lee, Thursday at 7.30 p.m., R. Instructor Mr Chan But-yue, Thursday at 8.30 p.m., A. Instructor Mr Stephen Lee.

Course D/2, Queen's College, Tuesday & Thursday at 8 p.m., G. Instructor Mr Wong Yee-wah.

Course Q/2, Tai Koo Chinese School, Quarry Bay Village, Tuesday & Friday at 7.30 p.m., G. Instructor Mr Lee Tin-sang.

Course D/3 & Q/3, Tai Koo Chinese School, Quarry Bay Village, Monday at 7.30 p.m., A. Instructor Mr Lee Tin-sang, Thursday at 7.30 p.m., G. Instructor Mr Ng Pak-chuen.

Course E/4, Queen's College, Tuesday & Friday at 8 p.m., G. Instructor Mr K. S. Leung.

Course E/5, Queen's College, Tuesday & Friday at 7 p.m., G. Instructor Mr K. S. Leung.

Course E/6, Queen's College, Tuesday & Friday at 7 p.m., G. Instructor Mr Chen Chik-lun.

Course E/7, Queen's College, Monday & Thursday at 7 p.m., R. Instructor Mr Wong Moon.

Course E/8, Queen's College, Monday & Thursday at 8 p.m., R. Instructor Mr Wong Moon.

Course E/9, Queen's College, Monday & Thursday at 8 p.m., G. Instructor Mr Wong Moon.

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Malaya May Have To Defend Thomas Cup On Foreign Soil

Malaya, holders of the Thomas Cup, may have to defend it on foreign soil in 1955 if badminton bodies throughout the world agree to change the rule.

The Secretary of the Badminton Association of Malaya, Mr Cheah Mah Sun, has disclosed he has received a circular from the Honorary Secretary of the International Badminton Federation, Mr H. A. E. Steele, suggesting that any country winning the cup in a foreign country shall be entitled to defend it on its own soil once. If it should refuse to do so, the following challenge shall take place in a foreign country.

According to present regulations the holders of the trophy can continue defending the cup in their country until defeated.

The circular stated the IBF Executive Committee is giving thought to the likelihood of participation in the international Badminton Championship being adversely affected if the Thomas Cup were to be retained for long periods by one nation, owing to the difficulty of other countries sending their best teams half-way round the world to challenge for it.—Associated Press.

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A copy of this notice has been delivered to the Registrar of Companies for filing.

At an Extraordinary Meeting held 31st May, 1947, it was resolved to increase the Company's Authorised Capital to \$10,000,000 by the creation of 1,200,000 shares of \$5.00 each, to be issued at such time or times and on such terms and conditions in every respect as the Company's Board of Directors may think fit.

The satisfactory position of the Company justifies, in the opinion of the Directors, the issue, at a premium of \$5.00 per share, of 271,300 of the unissued shares of the Company to persons who, on 15th September, 1952, are registered as holders of the already issued shares of the Company.

The new shares will rank for dividend pro rata as from 15th October, 1952, and in all other respects pari passu with the already issued shares of the Company.

Shareholders will be entitled to an allotment of one new share for every two shares held. No fractional certificates will be issued, but holders of an odd number of shares will be entitled to take up a whole share in lieu of the fraction.

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The Company have agreed to pay underwriting commission at the rate of 2 per cent. on all the shares covered by this offer.

Shareholders may renounce their rights in favour of a nominee.

The Share Transfer Registers of the Company will be closed from noon on 17th September, 1952 and also on 18th September, 1952.

Application forms will be posted to Shareholders on 18th September, 1952.

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BY ORDER OF THE BOARD,

S. M. CHURN,

Chairman.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1952.

NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS OF EDWARD HENRY RAY late of No. 6 Macdonnell Road, Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong, Married Ship's Broker, deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 53 (1) of the Probate and Administration Ordinance Chapter 50, made an Order limiting the time for Creditors and others to claim in their Claims against the above Estate to the Ninth day of October, 1952.

All Creditors and others are accordingly required to send in their Claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated this 11th day of September, 1952.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Dr. Ramon Chu Ruiz, alias Dr. Ramon Ruiz, of the Ruttenjee Sanatorium, Wanchai, Hongkong, is applying to the Governor for naturalisation, and that any person who knows any reason why naturalisation should not be granted should send a written and signed statement of the facts to the Colonial Secretary, Colonial Secretariat, Hongkong.

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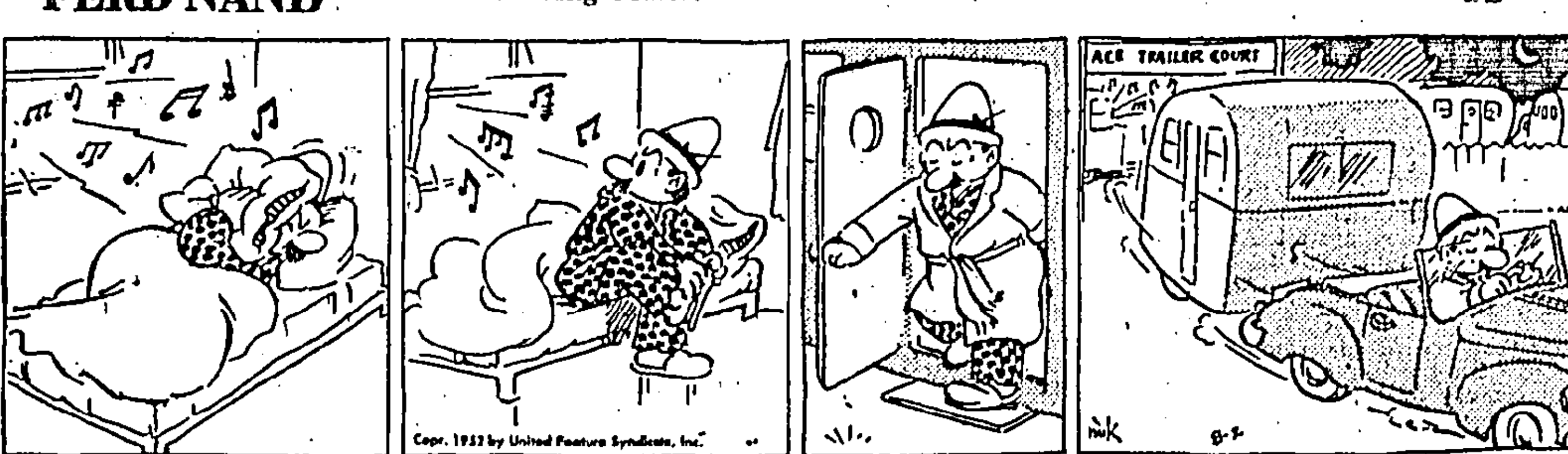
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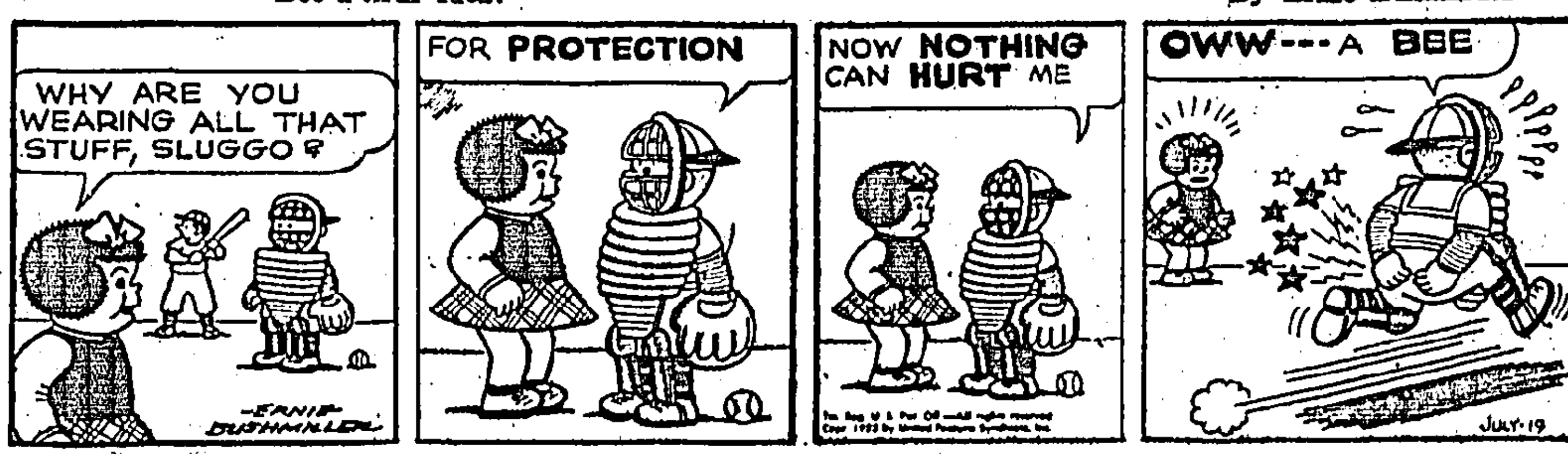
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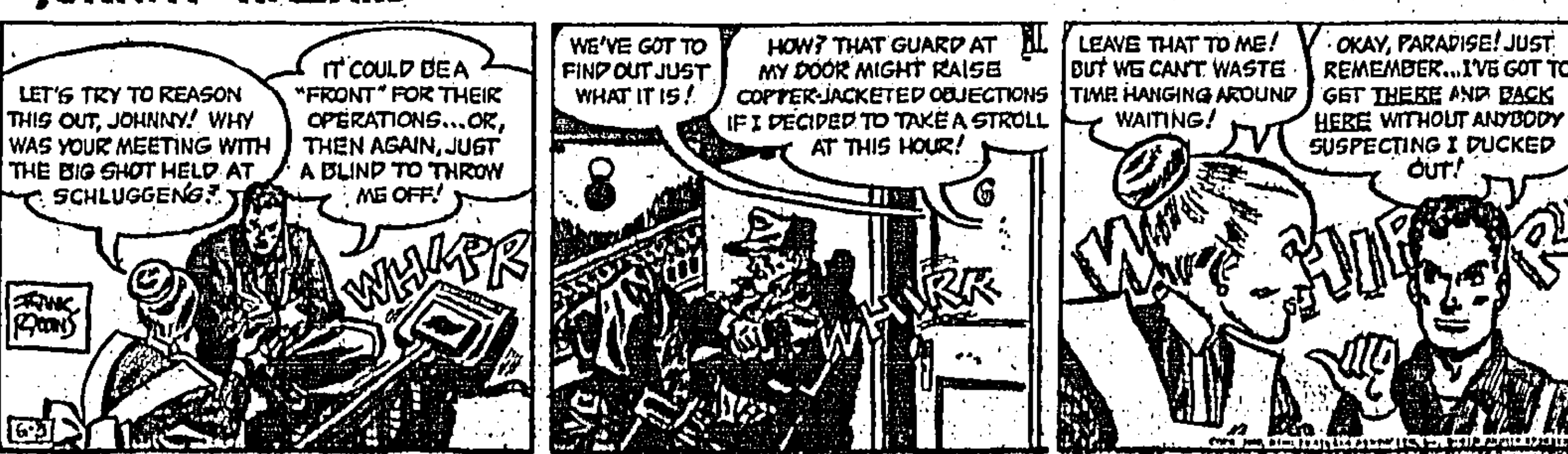
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"RELIGIOUS SPIRIT IN RUSSIA"

London, Sept. 11.
Churches in Russia report a growing membership and are not conscious of any lack of freedom, wrote Dr. Hugh Faulkner in the current issue of the British Weekly.

Dr. Faulkner and 13 other members of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, of which he is the organising secretary, spent three weeks in the Soviet Union last July at the invitation of the Soviet Peace Committee.

"It seems clear," Dr. Faulkner wrote, "that although freedom to worship has been obtained at the cost of independent judgment on political matters, there is a deep religious spirit in the Soviet people which may yet prevent the complete secularisation of the country."

"Life in the USSR," said Dr. Faulkner, "appeared very normal, and there was no atmosphere of tension and suspicion. People were aware of their own accomplishments—at the material level."

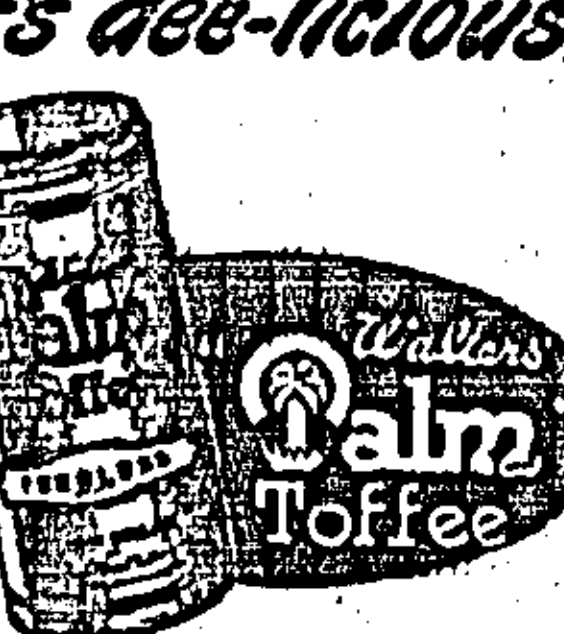
Dr. Faulkner revealed that on three occasions his party was invited to broadcast.

"We endeavoured always to be objective and fair in our comments."

"There was much we could admire and praise, but, as in Britain and the West, much to criticise and deplore."

"One of the most disturbing things in my experience in the Soviet Union was their refusal to accept almost any criticism as being merited," Dr. Faulkner concluded.—Reuter.

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World Bank Warned Of Danger Of Recession In Industrial Countries

When Rearmament Reaches Peak

Creeping Inflation In U.S.

Washington, Sept. 11. Creeping inflation in the United States is forcing the average American to cut down his living standards or get into debt to maintain them at pre-Korean War levels.

Statisticians in the Department of Labour who surveyed 51 cities and towns report that in these urban areas the average family in 1950, when the Korean war began, was spending six per cent more than it earned.

The survey showed that the city family average income then was \$4,300 dollars (\$1,536 Pounds Sterling) a year, with average spending at a rate of \$4,700 dollars a year.

The 400-dollar (over £142 Sterling) difference was financed by either getting into debt, using savings, or getting money from such sources as inheritances or insurance policies.

Much of the over-spending was traced to panic on credit through fear of shortages and higher prices as a result of the Korean war.

Government analysts say that the 1950 pattern is being followed today as higher taxation and steadily rising living costs hit family budgets and wage packets.

Soaring food prices over the past two years are forcing millions of American housewives to adjust purchases to a shrinking purse by crossing off the grocery shopping list such items as steak and butter in favour of cheaper meat and margarine.

THE HARDEST HIT

The lower-paid wage earners and clerical workers are hardest hit. Their complaint is that wage increases have not kept pace with the 15 per cent rise in food prices alone since the Korean war began.

About 30 per cent of the family budget is used for food—and food prices, higher now than at any time in the Nation's history, are still going up.

In eight principal American cities during July, these were the average prices with which the housewife has to juggle in budgeting for the family meals.

Round steak at 9/- a pound, pork chops at 6/2d, butter at 6/-, bacon at 4/10d, coffee at 6/3d a lb. A one-pound loaf of bread cost 1/2d, a dozen eggs were 5/6d, a quart of milk cost 1/8d and nine shillings bought 15 lbs of potatoes.

These prices represented an increase of more than 15 per cent over pre-Korean levels.

NOT AS PROSPEROUS
Economic surveys show that most Americans are earning more money now than ever before. But with higher levels of taxation and prices they are not generally speaking as prosperous as before the Korean war.

The case of a "white collar" worker earning \$5,000 dollars (\$1,785 Sterling) a year in 1950 is taken as an example.

Today, his salary would be increased by 700 dollars (\$250 Sterling) as authorised under wage control regulations. But the analysts say that his expenses—food, clothing, rent and services as well as increased taxation—would be over 880 dollars more for the same living standards as in 1950. In terms of 100-cent dollars, the purchasing power of today's dollar is estimated at 62.7 cents.

Before Korea, it was about 68.8 cents.

On top of the weakened controls programme, Mr and Mrs America face a new assault on the family budget through such things as the recent 53-day steel strike and the severe drought.

This is expected to cause higher prices for fresh and canned fruit and vegetables because Congress exempted them from controls and they are the hardest hit crops in the drought area.

GLOOMY FORECASTS
In the Southern States of Georgia, where miles of crops lie shrivelled in the fields, milk prices are headed for a peak of 3/- a quart by September.

Gloomy forecasts are that the overall cost of living will continue to creep upwards each month.

Because the steel industry was permitted to charge higher prices for steel, the cost of cars and many household appliances is going up.

Because Congress permitted rent controls to be lifted after September 30 if local authorities did not want to continue them, rents in many parts of the country will go up.

Medium-sized one-bedroom flat in a big city now average about 100 dollars (\$35.14 Sterling) a month.

The average American's feelings about inflation are brought to a head when his city barber charges him approximately 9/- for a haircut about one-third more than two years ago—Router.

Full employment in industrial countries would not be maintained when once the peak of their rearmament was reached, the Pakistan representative, Syed Amjad Ali, told the Board of Governors of the World Bank here today.

Syed Amjad Ali, who is this year's chairman of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, said that when industrial production was diverted from armaments, under-developed countries could not absorb the released potential because of their low purchasing power.

Syed Amjad Ali said: "We have seen within the last ten months something of the kind happen in the textile industry. On the one hand, hundreds of mills went out of production, and on the other millions of people are still without a shirt to their backs."

"Plans should be formulated and machinery created so that the switch-over from armaments to civilian production could be achieved without a time lag and recession be avoided."

"I would emphasise that full employment in highly-developed countries, especially those of Europe, can only be maintained by creating effective and lasting demands through raising the standards of living of the hundreds of millions of Asia."

The Pakistan representative appealed to the meeting "Turn your faces to the East and you will see the glorious dawn of a new dawn, a new future and a new era."

Syed Amjad Ali said fluctuation in prices and commodities was vitally interesting to Asia and the Middle East. Under-developed countries feared commodity agreements would fix prices at low levels unrelated to the prices of manufactured goods.

"The prices of some manufactured goods have been increasing due to an increase in labour costs," he said. "Thereby, under-developed countries whose standards of living are already miserably low are made to subscribe to the maintenance of the higher standards of living of the peoples of highly-developed countries."

THE WORKING OF PRICE MECHANISM IN REGARD TO THE creation of buffer stocks was also questioned by under-developed countries.

"Experts have suggested that the International Bank should provide finance for the proposed buffer stocks."

"I respectfully disagree, as I think the finances at the disposal of the Bank are vitally needed for development and that the idle resources of the International Monetary Fund are an appropriate source."

The problem of financing the development of the Middle East and Asia was much more gigantic than the total foreign finance now moving into the countries of the East, Syed said.

In the field of technical assistance the United Nations and its specialised agencies—the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and the Colombo Plan—were all contributing to spread technical knowledge.

Syed Amjad Ali declared that of all countries in Asia only Malaya had a per capita income of more than \$15 in 1949 and only half of these countries had a per capita income exceeding \$100.

HIGH PRIORITY
Half the world population, living in Asia, shared only 15 per cent of the world's income.

"If the numbers of economically distressed persons be a criteria of the urgency of development needs, then the problems and needs of Asia must command a high priority," he said.

The Pakistani delegate also suggested that a new worldwide economic conference such as Bretton Woods, where the Bank and the International Monetary Fund were created, should be called to take stock of developments since 1944.

The post-war revival in the Far East was hampered by unsettled political conditions and disruption of long-established commercial and economic relationships.

The time for a new review may be at hand, Mr Ali said.

Continuing his description of the post-war picture of Asia, he said that it was one of further deterioration in already low average living standards and emergence of a number of new economic problems.

NEW PROBLEMS
This should not obscure the accomplishments which most of the countries had made in recovery from war and post-war damage.

He mentioned some of the new problems facing Asia—disruption of Japan's pre-war trade pattern, internal revolt and disorder, the refugee question, population growth, shortage of rice and increase in its world price by five to seven times the pre-war level.

Conceding it was difficult to measure the effects of these problems, he said statistics indicated that in much of Asia cur-

rent production levels probably were still returning to pre-war levels and the food grain yield was still slightly less than before the war.

"Meanwhile, Asia's population has grown by upwards of 100,000,000 persons, leaving little doubt that the material standards of the average Asian have deteriorated rather than improved."

Trade figures for the Far East also reflected changed economic patterns. In pre-war years, the area as a whole maintained a trade surplus. After the war, the trade balance for the Far East as a whole showed deficits of approximately US\$1,000,000,000 in 1947, 1948 and 1949.

THE KOREAN war reversed this trend temporarily, and "recent trade figures for many countries suggest the area as a whole again is in a deficit trade position."

Insofar as these deficits were incurred to reconstruct and develop the economies of under-developed Asian countries, he continued, "they ought not to be considered as a permanent or serious symptom."

He listed as the basic post-war economic change the displacement of some of Asia's principal exports by substitutes. "Perhaps the most striking case of these has been the virtual collapse of the American market for Japanese silk," he commented.

On the bright side of the Asian economic picture, he listed the efforts which the people themselves were making to raise their standards of living, agrarian reform and economic development programmes.

He cited the technical and economic aid which Asia received from abroad and for purposes of comparison pointed out that, exclusive of military aid, Marshall Plan assistance to Europe between July 1945 and July 1950 amounted to US\$2,800,000,000 in loans and grants, while Asia during the same period received \$670,000,000 from the United States.

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Portugal's Plan For Colonies

Lisbon, Sept. 11.

The Portuguese Government has approved a 13,500 million escudos (\$168,500,000) five-year development plan for the Portuguese Colonies.

This money is to come out of taxes, Customs duties and special loans the Government is to float on the Portuguese market as from next year.—London Express Service.

Tremendous Progress In Japan

San Francisco, Sept. 11.

Japan's rapid economic recovery since World War II is an assurance that she will soon become a leading world power again, a prominent United States industrialist said today after a visit to Japan and Korea.

Nathan Cummings, chairman of Consolidated Grocers Corporation, said: "Japan is making tremendous progress in her recovery and cannot help but become a leading power again."

During a brief stop here on his way to Chicago, Mr Cummings predicted that markets for exports to Japan were going to be firm for a long time. Japan's economy was recovering much faster than European economies.

Mr Cummings, chairman of the largest wholesale food distributors in the United States, said that during his two and a half week visit as the guest of General Mark Clark, he was particularly impressed with the ambition and industry of the Japanese people.

"One of the reasons for their rapid economic recovery is that those people are willing to work seven days a week," he said. "Their economy is really coming back by leaps and bounds."

Mr Cummings said Japan must import 1,000,000 tons of unpolished rice this year. Approximately 350,000 tons will be purchased from the United States, he said, with the remainder coming from countries in the Orient.

Last year Japan bought some 200,000 tons of rice from the United States. The increase in Japan's rice-buying programme was in line with the Government policy to have a reserve supply available.—United Press.

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"TJIKAMPER"	Sept. 27	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TJIWANGI"	Oct. 1	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
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Slump In Rubber Causes Singapore Trade Recession

Singapore, Sept. 11.

A trade recession precipitated by the slump in rubber prices has brought failure to 15 firms in the first eight months of this year.

Two more companies are receiving orders to wind up, the Official Assignee and Public Trustee, W. G. Alcock, stated.

Financial losses are estimated to run into millions of dollars, caused chiefly by price falls in consumer goods.

A number of failures were textile-trading firms who blamed flooding of the market by Japanese textiles for their collapse.

With the price of first-grade rubber well under \$51 a pound the future of many Colony firms is thought to be uncertain.—Associated Press.

JAP COMPLAINT
Tokyo, Sept. 11.
Japanese rubber importers are pressing Chinese rubber exporters in Singapore to give a discount on the purchase of low quality Malayan rubber, the journal Mainichi reported today.

"Japanese importers, at the same time, decided to lodge a protest with the Singapore Commerce Arbitration Commission against the allegedly shoddy quality of Malayan rubber imported into Japan."

The decision was made by some 50 Japanese rubber importers based on a report from Kaoru Hashimoto, Director of the Kasho Trading Company, who returned from Singapore on September 9.

The Mainichi said that Mr Hashimoto, in talks with officials of the Singapore Rubber Association, learned that Chinese rubber exporters and not rubber growers were to blame for the export of low-quality rubber to Japan.

Mr Hashimoto was told that Germany had also suffered from low-quality rubber, but that the claim lodged by Germany resulted in the shipment of improved quality.

The journal added that Mr Hashimoto was assured that Japanese importers press for a

satisfaction.

Japan and Australia are receiving the lowest grade of rubber from Singapore and prices are unreasonably high, the paper concluded.—France Press.

SINGAPORE MARKET
Singapore, Sept. 11.
Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows:—

Number 1 rubber, per lb. 25 1/2-26 1/4
October 25 1/2-26 1/4
November 25 1/2-26 1/4
December 25 1/2-26 1/4
Number 2 rubber, October 25 1/2-26 1/4
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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1952.

JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

A Kind Of Immortality

ROBERT Napier Winslow, of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, drove from London to Drottich Spa to be invested with a kind of municipal immortality.

For in this Worcestershire town, hitherto known as a travel agent's stone, the town of Drottich Spa is now known as a town of municipal immortality.

Winslow Avenue, the road is called from today; and it takes its name from Mr. Robert Winslow's ancestor, Edward Winslow (as the name was spelled then), a salt manufacturer, who sailed to America with the Pilgrim Fathers in the Mayflower (180 tons; carrying 60 men, 20 women, 12 children, who were 67 days at sea between Plymouth and Cape Cod) in 1620.

Edward Winslow became first governor of the Plymouth and Massachusetts Bay Colony 13 years later.

ROBERT Napier Winslow, born in Fredericton, New Brunswick, 66 years ago, heard about the part he was to play in the ceremony only after he and his wife had set out on a long vacation taking Canada, Holland, Belgium, Switzerland and France, as well as Britain. His elder brother, Edward, was to have opened Winslow Avenue, but he fell ill.

"If only I'd known..." said Robert Napier. "Back home I've got a morning suit, the right sort of hat, everything... As things are, he made do with a blue jacket, grey trousers. Mrs Winslow's choice for the day—a navy suit, trimmed with silver.

Mr Winslow went to America in 1905, after graduating as a civil engineer at the University of New Brunswick. He spent most of his working life in Chicago, in the industrial real-estate business.

He is one of those neat, compact, transatlantic businessmen, who remind you a little of fastidious immaculate diplomats of the old school. He has thinning grey hair, a short-clipped grey moustache, and he does not like making speeches.

"Usually let someone else do that," he said.

WORK on his five-minute Drottich speech, scheduled to last twice as long, has occupied quite a lot of his vacation time, and the thought of the ceremony has clouded some of his holiday.

"He was a nervous wreck for the first two nights after we heard about it all," said Mrs Winslow cheerfully. She is a practised public speaker.

"You'll be glad when it's over, won't you?" she said, turning to her husband.

"Yes," he said.

Mr Winslow was in England once before. For about 72 hours, on his way from Liverpool to an embarkation port for France in the 1914-18 war. "Mostly trains, I remember," he says.

This time he is seeing more of the country.

WHAT impresses him? Among other things, London buses.

"I marvel the way the drivers handle them," he said, "and the way people line up by the stops. In our country it's a scramble, and the best man in."

I left Mr and Mrs Winslow in the London flat where they are staying, and I went out and fought with a bus queue for the right to stand in a No. 13, and I was glad the visitors did not see us all at it. As we swayed eastward, I thought of Winslow Avenue, Drottich, and of how, through the 332 years since he sailed away, so much has changed, and so much stayed the same.

The Pilgrim Fathers sailed off from here, the American airman fly in. The traffic has always been two-way, just as it will be down the avenue—down Winslow Avenue in Drottich Spa.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION

Suppose that for the first time, the following numbers were given: 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200.

The lowest integral solution of this equation is 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200.

So 100+101+102+103+104+105+106+107+108+109+110+111+112+113+114+115+116+117+118+119+120+121+122+123+124+125+126+127+128+129+130+131+132+133+134+135+136+137+138+139+140+141+142+143+144+145+146+147+148+149+150+151+152+153+154+155+156+157+158+159+160+161+162+163+164+165+166+167+168+169+170+171+172+173+174+175+176+177+178+179+180+181+182+183+184+185+186+187+188+189+190+191+192+193+194+195+196+197+198+199+200.

London Express Service.

Direct Trading Threatens To Squeeze Out Hongkong Textile Shipment To China

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Sept. 11.

There is nothing unusual about the voyage of the Autolycus, which is taking a shipment of British textiles to Tientsin on October 4, a director of the China Mutual Steam Navigation Company of Liverpool, the owners, told me tonight.

The Autolycus, as reported earlier, will carry the first shipment of textiles resulting from the trade talks between a Communist Chinese purchasing commission and unofficial British delegates to the recent Moscow economic conference.

The Autolycus, the official told me, is one of a number of ships owned by the line which leave Britain regularly with cargoes for China.

Although still well below normal, trade between Britain and China is increasing, he said.

Other shipments resulting from the initiative of the British delegates to the Moscow conference had already left. These consisted of non-strategic chemicals and miscellaneous goods.

But the shipment due to leave early next month is the first to include textile materials—chiefly wool tops—since trade revived as a result of the Moscow talks.

PAPER'S COMMENT

The Manchester Guardian says today that though trade between Britain and China has undoubtedly increased since the Moscow conference, the present method of shipping differs in one important respect from that adopted when trade between the two countries was flowing normally.

Instead of routing shipments for China through Hongkong or Shanghai, British shippers now send their vessels directly to a Chinese port.

Nor is this the only evidence that the Chinese communists are trying to squeeze out Hongkong as a trans-shipment centre.

Despite reports of reviving trade between the mainland and the Colony, it is believed here that the Chinese intend to make growing use of East Berlin as a centre for their business contacts with the Western world.

This development is being watched with close interest in Whitehall and the City. The Government takes the view that all legitimate trade between this country and China is welcome, whichever route is taken, but it is also anxious to preserve Hongkong's interest in this trade.

The advantage gained by the Chinese from the switchover from Hongkong to East Berlin is probably political rather than economic. It is pointed out, for instance, that orders now being placed are not additional to what might have arrived in any case.

HK BY-PASSED

Far Eastern merchants in London have noticed, moreover, that the Chinese have recently by-passed Hongkong in cases where goods could have been bought there cheaper than in Europe.

The Chinese, it is believed, may be trying to force the hand of the British Government by exerting economic pressure on Hongkong.

Orders they have placed here represent only a small proportion of their requirements from this country. They would like to buy British machine-tools and metal goods but are at present prevented from doing so by the ban on shipments of strategic goods.

But, whatever the reason for the replacement of Hongkong with East Berlin as a centre for their requirements from this country, they would like to buy British machine-tools and metal goods but are at present prevented from doing so by the ban on shipments of strategic goods.

They point out that one of China's present economic troubles is a lack of foreign exchange. Since this can only be supplied through normal international trade, a revival of large-scale Chinese purchases—even of non-strategic goods—from Britain is dependent upon an increase in British imports from China.

In any case, they are confident that the traditional trade ties between Hongkong and the mainland are strong enough to survive the present political manoeuvres.

Whitehall Blamed By Kenya Delays Bills For New Powers

Nairobi, Sept. 11.

The Kenya Government, worried by crime and unrest in the Colony, today blamed Whitehall for the delay in publishing bills designed to give the Colony additional powers.

A spokesman said the delay was because the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr Oliver Lyttelton, had not yet approved the bills.

"Everything possible is being done to expedite the matter," the spokesman added.

Last Friday the Kenya Executive Council decided to summon an emergency session of the Legislative Council to discuss the wave of violence and crime largely among the million Kikuyu tribe living north of Nairobi.

Six bills aimed at strengthening the Government's hand against subversive activities would be submitted to the Council meeting, it was also announced.

The date of this meeting has not yet been fixed pending a decision by the British Government.

Terrorising rural African communities is the Kikuyu secret society Mau, which is pledged to drive the Europeans out of Kenya.

In the Nairobi Supreme Court today 62-year-old African leader Jesse Kariuki was alleged to be "a very high member of Mau."

The allegation was made in affidavits said to have been made by a person who knew Kariuki well and read by the judge.

Kariuki was appearing before the court for the second day to show why he should not be removed to another part of the Colony as an undesirable character. The court was crowded, mostly with Africans, including Jomo Kenyatta, President of the African Union, and other Union officials.

AFFIDAVITS

All the evidence concerning Kariuki's alleged part in Mau ceremonies was taken by affidavits submitted by the Crown. Brief extracts were read by the judge, but the names of deponents, dates and locations were kept secret.

Two African policemen said they heard Kariuki at different meetings say that Queen Victoria told Europeans not to take land from Africans; that the land of Africa belonged to the Africans; that there would be bloodshed and that Africans should refuse to work for Europeans.

The affidavits alleged to have been made by a person who knew Kariuki well said Kariuki had tried to re-establish the Mau Central Association, and that he had tried to get another proscribed society, Dini Ya Mambwa, to amalgamate with the Kikuyu Central Association.

Further affidavits alleged that Kariuki had caused the amalgamation of the Kikuyu Central Association with the Mau society.

Kariuki is being defended by an Indian lawyer—Reuter.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Sure, business is slow, but that's not why he leaves early every day 'to see customers'—he broke 100 at golf during his vacation!"

Auxiliary Fire Service Forms Its Own Band

The enterprising Auxiliary Fire Service, which already teams for swimming, football, basketball and bowls, now has its own brass band. This move was instigated by the Chief Fire Officer, Mr W. J. Gorman, at the end of July, and the band is being run along the lines of the Police Band. It has thirty-two players under the direction of the AFS Training Officer, Mr V. C. Seymour, who is justifiably proud of the strides it has made since its inception.

"We are lucky in having Mr Peter Cheung, Assistant Superintendent of the AFS and a member of the Hongkong Orchestra, as musical adviser," said Mr Seymour. "Also, Mr Yuen, who is the Bandmaster, and has been playing for many years. Mr Carnell, Station Officer, is the only regular Brigade member in the band. He too was once with the Hongkong Orchestra, and is a clarinet player."

Apart from these leaders, the body of the band is made up of professional dance band players, who find it interesting and relaxing to play marches and 'ceremonial' music, which most of them had never played before and knew very little about. Being a uniformed force, it will be useful to have a band for marching and for such ceremonial occasions as Reviews, and it is chiefly for this purpose that the band was formed.

DANCE BAND

A by-product of these Sunday practices in Arsenal Yard—the AFS Depot in Queen's Road—has been the formation of a dance band, "which looks as though it is going to be really first class," said Mr Seymour.

The great problem at the moment is instruments. One firm has very kindly loaned them some, and a few members use their own, but the first aim is to reach a standard which will enable the band to give public performances, and so raise enough funds to buy its own instruments. Their debut will be at the AFS Swimming Gala at the Victoria Recreation Club on Sunday, September 21, when the band will play light music in the interval.

The band hopes, eventually, to be asked to play at the Jockey Club on race days and on Sunday afternoons in the Botanical Gardens.

An indication of how the band is coming was given when Mr W. B. Foster, A.R.A.M., conductor of the Police band, passed by the AFS practising hall not long ago, and mistook the music from within as coming from his own instrumentalists.

PLANE CRASH

Rio de Janeiro, Sept. 11. Six people are believed to have been killed, when a Brazilian aircraft crashed in flames on a fisherman's hut on the beach near Natal today.

The B-25 plane, on a training flight with five crew, crashed at Praia de Heliópolis, near the city of Natal, which is the capital of the State of Rio Grande do Norte.

The killed included five crew and one occupant of the hut. Two other people in the hut were seriously injured.—Reuter.

Winding-Up Petition Adjourned

The petition for the winding-up of the Ching Siong Land Investment Co., Ltd., which is associated with Luna Park was mentioned again before Mr Justice Reece, Puisne Judge, in the Bankruptcy Court this morning, when hearing was further adjourned to November 5, 6 and 7 next at 10 a.m.

The petition was brought by Kwik Siong-ko, merchant, of 229 Gloucester Road, first floor, and Chan Hing-wan, widow, of 31 Lung Kai Terrace. They were represented by Mr John McNeill, Q.C., and Mr S. V. Gittins, instructed by Mr M. A. da Silva.

The Ching Siong Land Investment Co. Ltd. were represented by Mr Brook A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr P. L. Lam, while Mr Percy Chen, also instructed by Mr Lam, appeared for Kwik Siong-ko, managing director of the Company.

Mr Justice Reece told Counsel that owing to certain events it was impossible to go on with the hearing this morning.

Mr McNeill intimated that the hearing was likely to last at least three days.

Mr Chen said that any delay would result in untold hardship being inflicted on the Company.

Mr Justice Reece: That's not my fault, Mr Chen.

All Counsel finally agreed to the hearing being fixed for November 5, 6 and 7.

Latest Official Appointments

The following official appointments are notified in today's Government Gazette.

Mr A. E. Gumbleton to be Assistant Director of Manpower; Mr J. C. C. Walden to be Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs; Mr H. M. A. Bristow to be Assistant Director of Commerce and Industry; Mr C. H. L. H. to be Director of Marketing; Mr R. Hart to be Marketing Officer.

Defence Force Promotions

Today's Government Gazette notified the promotion of CSM A.P. Pereira to be Lieutenant in the Royal Hongkong Defence Force, and Lieut A.J. Clifton to be Captain.

It is also notified that during the absence from the Colony of Col L.T. Ride, the duties of Commandant, RHDF, have been assumed by Lt-Col C.F. Vaughan, DSO.

Cantonese By Radio

The forty-fourth (A) in the series of lessons in Cantonese to be broadcast over Radio Hongkong by Mr S. K. Lee will be given this evening at 8.30.

For the guidance of listeners we publish below a summary of the lesson. Summaries of subsequent lessons will be published in the China Mail every Tuesday and Friday for the duration of this radio feature.

The Mid-Autumn Festival (Refer to page 22, "Cantonese Simplified"): Vocabulary: Lesson (1) - (3) a joint. A section. A festival.

438. (3)like. A calendar. 439. (3)mut. An article. An object. 440. being (2). A cake. 441. gah (3). Holiday. Leave of absence. 442. (1)key. Date. Period. 443. jing (3). Political Administration.

444. zao (2). A prefecture. A residence. A mansion. 445. (3)like. Festival (Refer to page 22, "Cantonese Simplified"): Vocabulary: Lesson (1) - (3) a joint. A section. A festival.

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Living Language

Why we say Abracadabra.

This strange word is now used to describe something meaningless. Until recently it was always connected with magic and is thought to be derived from the Hebrew words "Ab" (father) "Ben" (son) and "ruch a Cadsh" (Holy Spirit). The word was written a number of times on paper to make a certain pattern, and the paper was then worn round the neck as a cure forague and other afflictions.

Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times, are those posted by enquiry at the local office.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 By Air

Formosa, Okinawa, Japan, Seattle, Canada, 4.30 p.m.; H.K.A. (P.W.A.), 4.30 p.m.; B. India, W. Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 4.30 p.m.; B.O.A.C. Malaya, Indonesia, Ceylon, W. India, 4.30 p.m.; B.O.A.C. N. Borneo, Australia, New Zealand, 4.30 p.m.; Surface. Macao, 1.30 p.m.; 6 p.m.; at Lee Hong/Tak Shing.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 By Air

Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 8 a.m.; via P.A.L. U.S.A., Canada, 8 a.m.; B.O.A.C. India-China, France, French North & West Africa, 4.30 p.m.; Air Vietnam, Burma, E. India, 4.30 p.m.; Thai Airways. By Surface. Macao, 1.30 p.m.; 6 p.m.; at Lee Hong/Tak Shing.

China, People's Republic, 9.30 a.m.; B.O.A.C. to Canton. Siam, 2 p.m.; as Hanoi. Formosa, 1 p.m.; as Wing Sang. Hong Kong, 1 p.m.; as Ocean Mail. Canada, 2 p.m.; as Barracuda. Indo-China, 2 p.m.; as Courailes. Malaya, Ceylon, Aden, Middle East, France, 2 p.m.; as Socotra. Indonesia, 2 p.m.; as Fengning. Japan, 2 p.m.; as Sangala.

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